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Array Of Naval Might At Gibraltar

Gibraltar, Yesterday.

Five more French warships arrived in Gibraltar to-day including the 22,000-ton battleship, "Provence."

There are now three French battleships among the assembly of war craft in Gibraltar harbour, while a large number of British and French warships are near Gibraltar.

The border between France and Spain was suddenly closed to-day with no reason given.

A considerable number of Spanish refugees who were making their way home were turned back.—Reuter.

AXIS FAILS TO BRING JAPAN INTO LINE

London, Yesterday.

All English newspapers this morning give prominence to the acute discussions recently going on in inner circles in Tokyo over the question of converting the Anti-Comintern Pact into a military alliance.

Consensus of opinion is that there will be no alliance, despite the heavy pressure which Berlin is believed to have been putting on.

The fact that Hitler's speech made no references to Japan appears to confirm this view.

The Tokyo correspondent of "The Times" says: "It would be difficult to over-emphasise the repugnance to such an alliance shown in private conversation by many eminent unofficial but highly representative Japanese, or their appreciation of the calamitous consequences it is likely to entail."

Some newspapers profess to believe the utmost Tokyo would offer was an alliance with Germany against Russia.

This coincides with the view expressed to Reuter by well-informed Japanese in London that Japan would only enter a European war if attacked by Russia.

These Japanese observers say that all information is that the Japanese Navy is strongly against an alliance which is entirely out of harmony with their traditional policy.

UNPLEASANT IMPRESSION

President Roosevelt's appeal to the Dictators, combined with the simultaneous transference of the American Fleet to the Pacific, has undoubtedly unpleasantly impressed the Japanese, notoriously anxious not to antagonise the United States.

Official circles are inclined to share the view that there will be no alliance.

Recently the Japanese attitude to Britain has been notably more conciliatory. The violent anti-British attitude which a year ago was becoming almost menacing, has markedly been damped down, and there appears to be a much greater readiness to listen to our representations.

GREAT MISTAKE

It would be the greatest mistake to imagine that European preoccupations have caused the British Government to forget Far Eastern interests.

Actually, Reuter understands, the reverse is the case, but methods naturally to some extent depend on events.

The "Financial News" comments at length on "the almost complete failure" of Japanese attempts to enforce exchange and import control in North China.

That trade has not been brought to a complete standstill appears to be due to the fact that the Japanese, "probably realising the immensity of the problem, have made no effort yet to insist upon com-

plete enforcement of the new regulations," although, uncertainty regarding when they will do so makes long-term, and even short-term contracts impossible.

CHINESE OFFENSIVE

The progress of the Chinese offensive is being watched with keen interest. With due allowance for the pardonable exhilaration of Chinese reports, it is not doubted that they have gained substantial successes.

Military observers, however, questioned in an interview with Reuter the wisdom of the Chinese attempting to recapture conspicuous cities, for example, Nanchang and Canton, at the present stage of hostilities.

CUTS BOTH WAYS

Though the moral effect would be tremendous, this cuts both ways, compelling Japan to some colossal effort which might end in destruction of all China's dawning hopes.

Peace kites continue to be flown spasmodically, though from what precise quarters is not clear.

For the moment there is, obviously no possibility of building a bridge between the combatants.—Reuter.

Call For Calm And Steady Reflection

London, Yesterday.

Feeling in British circles after mature consideration of Hitler's speech is that the declaration leaves the situation largely unchanged.

The speech is considered to have closed no doors which might have been open before it was made.

A period of calm and steady reflection, it is pointed out, can best show how the difficulties ahead

Example Of Czechoslovakia's Fate Held Up To Warsaw

VEILED NAZI THREATS COMMENCE: OMINOUS MESSAGE

JAPANESE RESORT
TO MENACES

Alarmed By Break In Currency

Shanghai, Yesterday.

It is learned from usually reliable sources that a number of members of the Japanese Special Service Section, dressed in foreign clothes, entered the British and French Concessions in Tientsin last night.

The Japanese threatened Chinese who are known to deal in Federal Reserve Bank notes on the "black" market that unless they stopped changing Federal Reserve Bank notes into National currency, "it would be worse for them."

Meanwhile, a Tientsin message says that there were no dealings to-day on the unofficial market in Federal Reserve Bank notes, which recently slumped so sensationally.—Reuter.

SHARP SLUMP

Tientsin, Yesterday.

The Japanese are doing everything to check the sensational slump in Federal Reserve notes and are trying to stop all transactions.

Yesterday, even Japanese were buying National Currency heavily and Federal Reserve notes were at an unprecedented discount of 31½ per cent.—Our Own Correspondent.

Second Armoured Division

London, Yesterday.

The Regular Army is to be strengthened by a second armoured division.

This decision, according to the "News Chronicle" this morning, has been made independent from the introduction of conscription in Britain.

The newspaper recalls that the Secretary for War, Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, introducing the Army Estimates in the House of Commons in March, announced the intention to add a larger number of heavy tanks to the Regular Army strength.—Trans-Ocean.

OUT OF THE BLUE!

Bucharest, Yesterday.

The Rumanian Government has informed the United States that it is making a proposal regarding the settlement of War Debts.—Reuter.

HITLER FORCED INTO OPEN

Washington, Yesterday.

Official views on the Hitler speech are still reserved.

General attitude, however, seems to be that President Roosevelt's initiative, far from clouding the atmosphere, has clarified it, by forcing Hitler more and more into the open.—Reuter.

Soviet Ready To Act

Paris, Yesterday.

THE Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bonnet, received the Soviet Ambassador, M. Suritz, and the United States Ambassador, Mr. William Bullitt, to-day.

M. Suritz is stated to have expressed the readiness of the Soviet to assist Poland and Rumania with arms and munitions in the event of unprovoked aggression.

He is said to have stressed that the Soviet, while continuing to favour collective security, is nevertheless prepared to adopt other methods for assuring peace so long as the principle is generally recognised.

U.S. INFORMED

The United States Ambassador was informed of the Bonnet-Suritz talks, and Mr. Bullitt conveyed information concerning the effect produced in Washington by Hitler's speech.

M. Bonnet will now see the Rumanian Foreign Minister, M. Gafencu, when the latter arrives in Paris, in connection with the Soviet assurances.—Trans-Ocean.

LONDON TALKS

London, Yesterday.

M. Ivan Maisky, the Soviet Ambassador, who returned from Moscow yesterday, saw the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, early this morning.

The consultations in connection with the Soviet anti-aggression proposals were discussed.—Reuter.

MIXED VIEWS IN YUGOSLAVIA

Belgrade, Yesterday.

Official circles express satisfaction that Hitler referred to Yugoslavia as a friendly nation, and they declare that the Roosevelt-Hitler controversy is not their affair.

Hitler's proposal, however, referring to President Roosevelt's overtures has left an unpleasant impression on the public.—Reuter.

LONDON, YESTERDAY.

AN OMINOUS CAMPAIGN OF MENACE TO POLAND HAS COMMENCED LESS THAN TWENTY-FOUR HOURS AFTER HITLER'S SPEECH. THE NAZI PRESS BEGAN THE PROCESS BY ARTICLES DRAWING POINTED COMPARISONS BETWEEN COLONEL BECK AND DR. BENES, AND ASKING COL. BECK IF HE DESIRES TO SHARE THE SAME FATE.

More serious attention, however, has been attracted by an inspired statement issued in Berlin, but dated from Rome, where General Brauchitsch, Commander in Chief of the German Armies arrives to-day for Staff talks with General Pariani.

The message contains an Italian warning to Poland against endangering good relations with Italy, and directs Warsaw's attention to the fate of Czechoslovakia as an "example of what happens when untenable positions are ill-advisedly defended."

Giving a hint of important Italo-German military discussions, the message goes on: The visit of General Brauchitsch was arranged a long time ago but it must not cause surprise if further important questions are discussed which were not then foreseen, or if the occasion is used for intimate talks which go beyond the programme originally laid down.

POLAND TO CALL UP MORE MEN

The Warsaw correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" says that the immediate effect of the Axis threat will be the calling up of more reserves to the Colours and closer relations between Poland and Russia.

Ideological obstacles which prevented Poland's ready acceptance of Russian guarantees have been swept aside by Hitler's attack, and Britain's negotiations with Moscow will almost certainly be facilitated.

Poland is not disturbed by the denunciation of the non-aggression treaty. Official comment was that it feared that Hitler would break the treaty when it suited him to do so.

ITALY INCREASES MOBILISATION

It is officially announced that Italy is putting her air force through an intensive training course.

All Air Force N.C.O. reservists, and all pilot officers who have not received recent training, have been called up for a special two-months' course, as from June 1.

This follows announcement of decisions to substantially enlarge upon military mobilisation.—Reuter.

ITALIAN STEPS

Rome, Yesterday.

A further increase of the Italian fighting forces was decided on at this morning's Cabinet, says the official communiqué.

Additional expenditure for the Army will augment the latter's attacking power and general efficiency from the standpoint of numerical strength, armaments, and defence organisation, adds the communiqué.—Trans-Ocean.

CABINET MEETING

Rome, Yesterday.

Mussolini held a Cabinet meeting this morning.

It is understood the meeting discussed the result of talks held on Thursday between Mussolini, the Finance Minister and the Chief of Staff.

Various measures to strengthen Italy's defences were also discussed.—Reuter.

PORTSMOUTH WIN CUP

Portsmouth, sensational, all but confounded the prophets at Wembley yesterday, defeating Wolves by 4 goals to 1 in the F.A. Cup Final. Full report is in Page 23.

HITLER'S GOAL IS EMPIRE

New York, Yesterday. The "New York Times" sees as most disturbing factor in the situation, Hitler's blunt demand for "living space," which, unlike the earlier German doctrine of racial unity, cannot be made without conquest.

Not trade but Empire is Hitler's goal.—Reuter.

ROOSEVELT MAY REPLY

Washington, Yesterday. President Roosevelt may reply to Hitler's speech in one of his fireside broadcasts to the nation.—Reuter.

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Probably that was just an early phase of your career back in the days when you used to write home to Mother for some new re-

and whip up a cake, but your cook would leave if you invaded that sacred spot . . . but you don't say it very loudly. You envy your friends who serve unusual dinners, whose meals are equally unusual and unpredictable after a year. You suppose they possess some creative genius which you didn't inherit. And so, taking all in all, since you are doomed to reside in the East you need take no further interest in matters of the kitchen.

But in what other countries have women such an opportunity for making cooking an art? Where else would a woman have such an army of kitchen help at her disposal? All you need is one reasonably intelligent cook and a patient character, and your meals will be fit for a king.

Sit down with a cook book, novel experience though it may be, and see if your brain isn't whirling with inspirations. Even two hours a week with that woman's bible should do wonders for the variety in your meals. Your family will gladly serve as guinea pigs for such a cause. Make it a rule to devote one meal a week to trying new dishes. If they are successful, it's time enough to try them on your friends. You will have proof of your success when your friends come begging you for recipes, and start trying to get your cook away from you behind your back.

In the double role of Hostess, now and then, and Guest, here and there, we have a few wishes and ambitions we should like to see gratified. May they give you food for thought. We would like: More really good bread and butter, the kind that is so good you could make a meal of it, whether it is chunks from a crusty French loaf to eat with your green salad, or paper-thin slices for afternoon tea, or pumpernickel and rye with your hors-d'oeuvres.

Less pretentiousness and pompousness about food—and so much to do about the necessity for brandy inhalers, the kind of wooden bowl for salads, elaborate rules about wines, et cetera. Airs never flavour food. More hosts who can carve, and carve well, particularly game.

Greater use of old pieces, such as ten-caddies, soup tureens, urns, epergnes, hot-water dishes. They give a happy suggestion of more spacious times.

More guests who take second helpings, if so inclined; and fewer hostesses who urge guests to do so against the latter's wishes and better judgment.

Fewer people who drag their stomachs and diets into every table conversation. "Fines for cooks who indiscriminately sprinkle chopped nuts, candied cherries, cut-up marshmallows, or dabs of whipped cream on good, self-respecting dishes. If the food cannot be served without these trimmings, it's not worth eating.

Greater concentration on doing the really simple things

well—good coffee, good tea, good toast, good eggs in any form, good potatoes in any guise. Nearly every one remembers these longer than the most elaborate efforts at crepes Suzette or borscht or lobster a l'Armoricaine.

Every household to try at least one new recipe a week.

More housewives who poke around the markets and food shops.

The appearance of more little pepper-mills on dining tables. Freshly ground black pepper adds infinitely to the flavour of vegetables and salads. It is practically a requisite with tomatoes.

More imagination in table decorations, and, in particular, the handling of local and seasonal fruits and flowers. A low wooden bowl with a yellow squash, complete with leaves

BETWEEN US GIRLS

By Esther



Do you remember the old silver marrow spoons people used, when that delicious substance in the centre of the bone was considered a prime delicacy? Why is it that so appealing a food should have fallen into disuse?

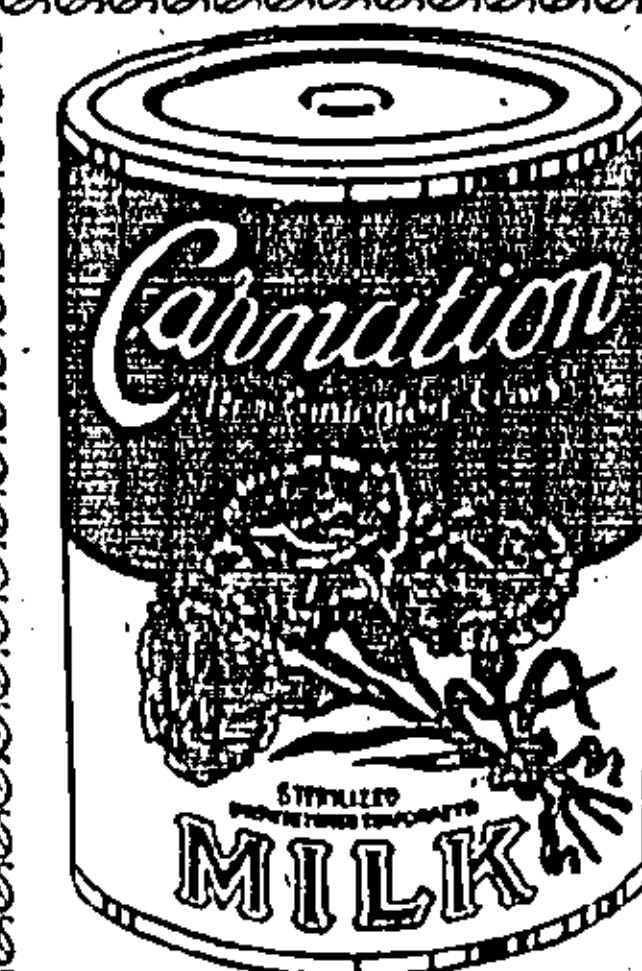
Perhaps there have not been many recipes showing how to use marrow—so here goes for a good one. The dumplings are wonderful in soup. The egg and Carnation Evaporated Milk are used as binding agents, and to add richness.

The mixture is the kind that acts properly in the boiling soup. It doesn't fall apart just when you think you are arriving at success. And that is not a virtue to be neglected! The dumplings should be kept soft and handled lightly in mixing.

Marrow Dumplings
1½ cups cracker crumbs
½ tsp. salt
¼ cup marrow from cooked soup bone
1 egg
2 tbsp. Carnation Evaporated Milk.

Blend well. Add a little chopped parsley if desired. Roll into tiny balls. Drop into boiling soup and boil for 15 minutes. Yield: 40 tiny dumplings.

Next time you have some marrow in sufficient quantity, don't allow it to find its way into waste, still inside the bone. Give these dumplings a chance to show you what can be done. You are really justified in buying a big, juicy soup bone full of marrow, in order to enjoy it for its own sake in these dumplings.



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Flour, about 6 cups
Sugar, 1 cup
Eggs, 4
Yeast Cakes, Salt, ½ teaspoon
compressed, 2
Butter or Margarine, melted, 1 cup

1. Pour scalded milk over sugar in a large bowl; when lukewarm dissolve in it the yeast cakes broken in small pieces.

2. Stir in 3 cups flour; mix well. Cover and let rise until full of bubbles, about 45 minutes.

3. Beat eggs until light and add with salt and butter to yeast mixture; blend well, add remaining flour, cover and let rise 1 or 1½ hours.

4. Spread surface of double with softened fat and cover tightly. Keep in refrigerator until needed, then cut off amount desired, let rise until light (about 1 hour for a pound of dough.) Proceed to shape and bake as directed below. It will keep 3 or 4 days. Recipe makes 3½ pounds dough, yielding about 2½ dozen medium to large-size rolls.

BUTTERHORN

To make 8 rolls cut off 1 pound dough. When light toss on flour-

ed board; roll into circle about 10 inches in diameter. Mark with cake or pie pan to obtain exact circle. Cut into 8 equal wedge-shaped pieces and roll each, beginning at the round edge. Place on greased baking sheet so that point of dough is on bottom. Brush with egg yolk diluted with 1 tablespoon cold water. Cover and let rise ½ hour. Bake in hot oven (400 degrees F.) about 20 minutes.

COFFEE CAKE

Cut off ¾ pound dough. When light toss on floured board, roll into circle 9 inches in diameter and ¼ inch thick. Place in round cake pan; spread top with mixture of 1/3 cup melted butter and 1/3 cup sugar; sprinkle with ¼ cup.



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Germany's Army Chiefs

A few weeks ago I was a German officer attached to the German General Staff. One day I put on mufti and crossed into France. Why? Because my honour is the honour of a German officer. Perhaps some day I shall be able to wear my uniform again without shame.



GENERAL VON MILCH,
Commander of the German Air Force.

But these are personal things. To-day I will speak about the question everybody I have met is asking me: "What happens if ...?"

What I say will betray neither my country nor the German Army. It may affect the man who is betraying both by steering them into crushing defeat.

THE last time the German Army fought for four years. The next time it won't.

The last time there was unity and enthusiasm in the German Government and in the Army. To-day there is rift and mistrust. The last time German strategy was based on the sound theories of Clausewitz and Schlieffen; and even then we lost. This time the only possibility we are preparing for is a successful Blitzkrieg (Lightning War). Not only does Germany lack food and materials to last a war of any length—the very morale of soldiers and civilians will have crumbled if a war lasts only a few weeks without resulting in a crushing victory.

If there were a war now and a Marne battle, it would be the last battle of that war.

The old Army was one hundred per cent. for the Kaiser. In the



GENERAL VON KEITEL,
Commander-in-Chief of the German Army.

new Army there are Hohenzollern monarchists, Hitlerites, Hapsburg monarchists (practically all the Austrian divisions) and numbers of inwardly religious people who hate war and loathe a war of aggression.

The Nazis in the Army, however, are blind believers in "Mein Kampf." And "Mein Kampf" bases German policy on the clearly expressed principle that Germany cannot expect to win the next war if Great Britain is among her opponents.

In 1914 almost the whole of our nation thought that Germany had been attacked. That gave enormous moral power to our soldiers. To-day everybody in Germany, in my view, knows that we are attacking. Or, rather, that Hitler is attacking.

THE Germans, as a nation, are not quarrelsome. They will always excel in what they believe to be defence. But as a people they will never put their hearts into a wanton attack.

When German soldiers marched through Prague, past crowds who were weeping or singing the Czech National anthem, those soldiers marched with their eyes fixed and their teeth set.

I know what they felt, for I am a German officer.

But they obeyed, and when a war breaks out, they will still obey. At least, in the beginning.

It used to be said that the N.C.O. was the backbone of any army. Certainly the N.C.O. and the junior officer have the vital job of conveying commands to the men. But they are not what they used to be. In 1914 a company commander was, on the average, 38 years old. Now the average age of a company commander is 25. Anybody who has been in an army can tell what that means.

THE only picked troops in Germany, in the new time, are chosen from volunteers, are either at the outbreak of war or at the Air Force and the famous

Here is a curious document English readers will examine with interest.

It is a translation of a letter written by a German officer of responsible rank, who has left his country for reasons which he states below.

We print this letter as an interesting straw in the wind, and because of a certain pathos in its words. It is the cry of a man who is a declared rebel against what he believes to be tragic misrule. He sees certain things in Germany far more vividly than the ordinary man.

His words must, therefore, be read with reserve. Too much trust should not be placed in stories that Germany is likely to "crack" at the impact of a war.

"S.S." Guards. The Air Force men are handicapped by planes which are rather rapidly built from inferior materials.

The plans for the occupation of Prague included an impressive mass landing of troops from aeroplanes. But this plan was cancelled at the last moment because of the weather. The cancellation was made with reluctance, but it was wise. The flight would have shown up the shortcomings of the German Air Force. Foreign military attaches in Vienna remember how German tanks broke down on their way to Vienna—on smooth roads.

The other picked troops are the S.S. I have it from Herr Himmler himself that the S.S. are not intended for "Einsatz" (action) in the front line. They will be used for keeping an eye on the home front in case of trouble. They have already had to intervene in Austria to deal with industrial unrest. In Vienna the Socialist workers have made some advance in their secret reorganisation.

By A Former
German
Staff Officer

NOT even the recent acquisition of Czech arms and Rumanian oil will enable Germany to stand a war of any length.

Czech armaments were intended, for a nation of fourteen million people, not eighty million. The Czech plants depend largely on raw materials which have to be imported.

As for oil, Rumania has never had an output in excess of Germany's peace-time requirements.

But even if Hitler had all the supplies, the morale of his human material would still matter most.

Hitler cannot face a war of any length, and he knows it. That is why the whole German army instruction is entirely based on the "lightning war" theory. Hitler's present Army chiefs, Generals von Keitel and von Brauchitsch, are both adherents of this theory. The others, von Blomberg, von Beck, von Rundstedt, and most especially, von Fritsch, had to go.

THE German General Staff, including von Keitel and von Brauchitsch, consider Hitler not their ruler but their partner. Their attitude towards him is neither clear opposition nor blind obedience.

This fact has never been properly understood abroad. The German Army could depose Hitler any day. But that will not happen unless the generals have no other course.

They know that an army dictatorship could not last for ever. They are afraid of the immortal political nihilism which Nazism has brought to Germany.

But they are afraid, too, that Hitlerism would be followed by chaos or Bolshevism, and to that they prefer Hitlerism.

So they would not use their power save in a supreme emergency. Only the threat of a German revolution would make the Reichswehr take the reins.

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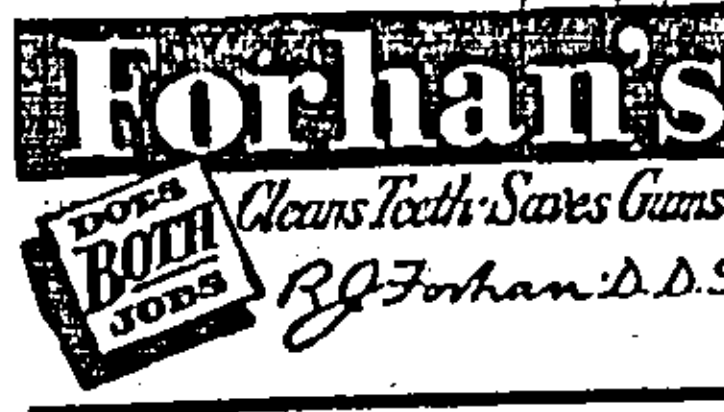
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GERMAN-POLISH RELATIONS

Britain Examines Situation With Some Anxiety

MORE SERIOUS THAN DENUNCIATION OF NAVAL PACT

London, Yesterday.

The Fuehrer's speech has been received here, generally speaking, calmly. The papers inform their readers of the main points of the speech by citing the chief passages in large black headings running over several columns.

All papers feature as a headline the termination of the Anglo-German agreement by the Fuehrer. The fact that the speech fills many pages in most of the papers which publish the Fuehrer's statements verbatim, shows the importance attached to the declaration.

The only evening paper containing any editorial comment on the speech, was the "Evening Standard." The paper felt that the speech had not closed the door to negotiations.

It is pointed out that the Fuehrer made no reference whatsoever to the introduction of compulsory military service by England.

Political circles look forward with some anxiety to further developments in German-Polish relations.

Termination of the German-Polish non-aggression pact is regarded as a far more serious matter than the denunciation of the naval pact with England which has been more or less expected by official quarters, especially by Admiralty officials.

The fact that the Fuehrer's speech, in contrast to earlier utterances contained no attacks on the Soviet Union, attracted attention. Political quarters wonder whether this omission has any significance.

As far as opinion has been formed at all regarding the probable consequences of the speech, the view prevails that the speech has had a favourable effect from the psychological point of view, although the actual situation has changed neither for better nor worse.

There is a tendency to agree with Winston Churchill who declared in the debate on the national service bill that it would be wrong



"You see, it says here there aren't any such things as fairies."

The Asahi Shimbun Has Spoken

Tokyo, Yesterday.

Hitler's speech is published on the front page of the Tokyo dailies and is played up in sensational fashion.

The "Asahi Shimbun" comments that Britain, America and France have been insinuating that Germany and Italy are responsible if war breaks out.

Hitler's speech has fully proved this untrue, the paper alleges.

They are trying to achieve what they believe to be right without resorting to such a dreadful method.

On the other hand, alleges the paper, Britain and France are anxious to maintain the status quo and are apt to lead the nations to war in the long run. — Reuter.

to attach great importance to the Fuehrer's speech.

A similar view was expressed also by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir John Simon, after the speech yesterday afternoon.

Sir John Simon said that he re-

garded it as more important to ponder on British policy than on the pronouncements of the dictators. It would be better, he declared, to continue on the course begun by free England.

He expressed the conviction that Mr. Chamberlain's leadership in these troubled times was of an inestimable value. Without Mr. Chamberlain, there would certainly have been war in September. — Trans-Ocean.

Surprise British Offer To Reich

London, Yesterday.

The British Government intends to offer the German Government a guarantee against any unprovoked aggression by any power.

The British Ambassador in Berlin, Sir Neville Henderson, will submit his Government's suggestion when he has his conversation with the Nazi Foreign Minister, Herr von Ribbentrop, which he is seeking in a few days.

It is learned from well-informed circles that Britain came to this decision in order to refute the belief of the German Government that by her recent guarantees to various Eastern and South-Eastern European States, Britain aimed at encirclement of Germany.

The British decision is interpreted as an attempt to normalise Anglo-German relations, the apparently hopeless deterioration of which has been watched with increasing concern in London.

GAFENCU REPORT

It is suggested that the decision was strongly influenced by the report of the Rumanian Foreign Minister, M. Gafencu, who, referring to his Berlin talks, told British statesmen that the idea of encirclement was being spread in Germany not only for propaganda reasons but because German statesmen firmly believed that England was attempting to enclose Germany within a circle of States.

PUBLIC OPINION

It is pointed out, however, that the chances of a substantial im-

provement in Anglo-German relations are very small, since in view of the present disposition of public opinion in Britain, it would be extremely difficult to open negotiations with Germany. — Trans-Ocean.

CHINESE COMMENT ON HITLER SPEECH

Chungking, Yesterday.

While the Chinese press gives prominence to Hitler's speech, editorial comments are of the unanimous opinion that "the speech contained nothing unexpected or important."

The "Central Daily News," official journal of the Chinese Government, says: "The speech has only confirmed our views."

The "China Times" declares: "It is not what Hitler said but what Britain, the United States and France do that matters." — Reuter.

Japan Backs Hitler

Tokyo, Yesterday.

Since Hitler has made it clear that he is willing to extend non-aggression guarantees, says the "Asahi Shimbun," Britain and France should gravely re-examine their policies.

The "Yomiuri Shimbun," which generally expresses the views of the Japanese Army, asserts that Britain has employed a double-edged policy of intimidation and appeasement towards Germany.

However, says the paper, Hitler yesterday manifested firm determination not to change Germany's policy.

"As long as Britain does not make any real concessions, Anglo-German relations will not return to the right track." — Reuter.

PLANS FOR ROYAL VISIT TO CANADA

London, Yesterday.

It is understood that plans for the departure of the King and Queen to Canada in the steamship "Empress of Australia" will be precisely similar to those made for the departure of H.M.S. Repulse.

Their Majesties will leave Waterloo Station by special train soon after midday on May 6 for Portsmouth, and the "Empress of Australia" will leave Portsmouth at about 3 p.m. — British Wireless.

COMMENDATION OF CHINESE

A Mexico-born Chinese, Gustavo Fong, of Nathan Road, was yesterday commended by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen for arresting a snatcher in Fuk Wah Street on Thursday.

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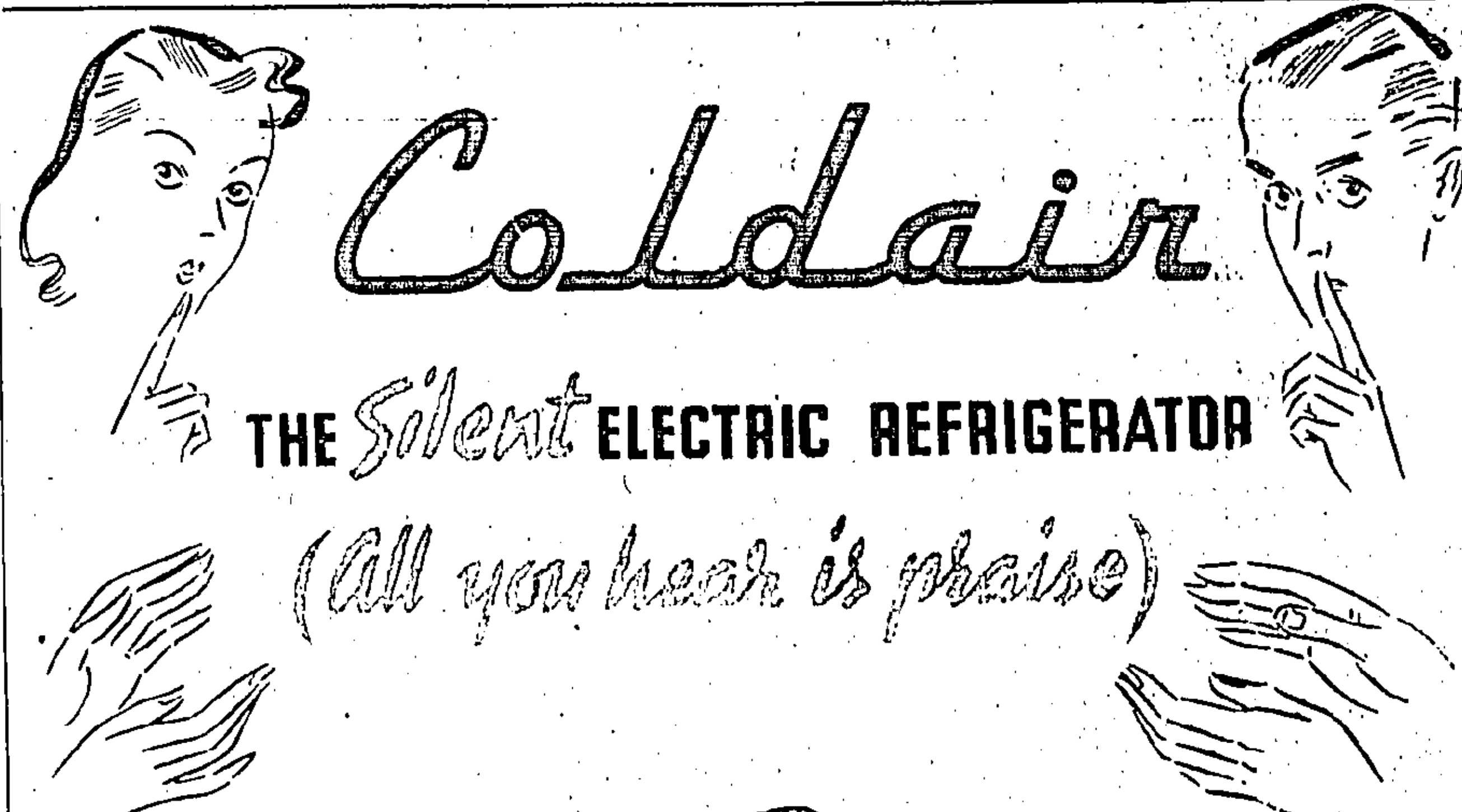
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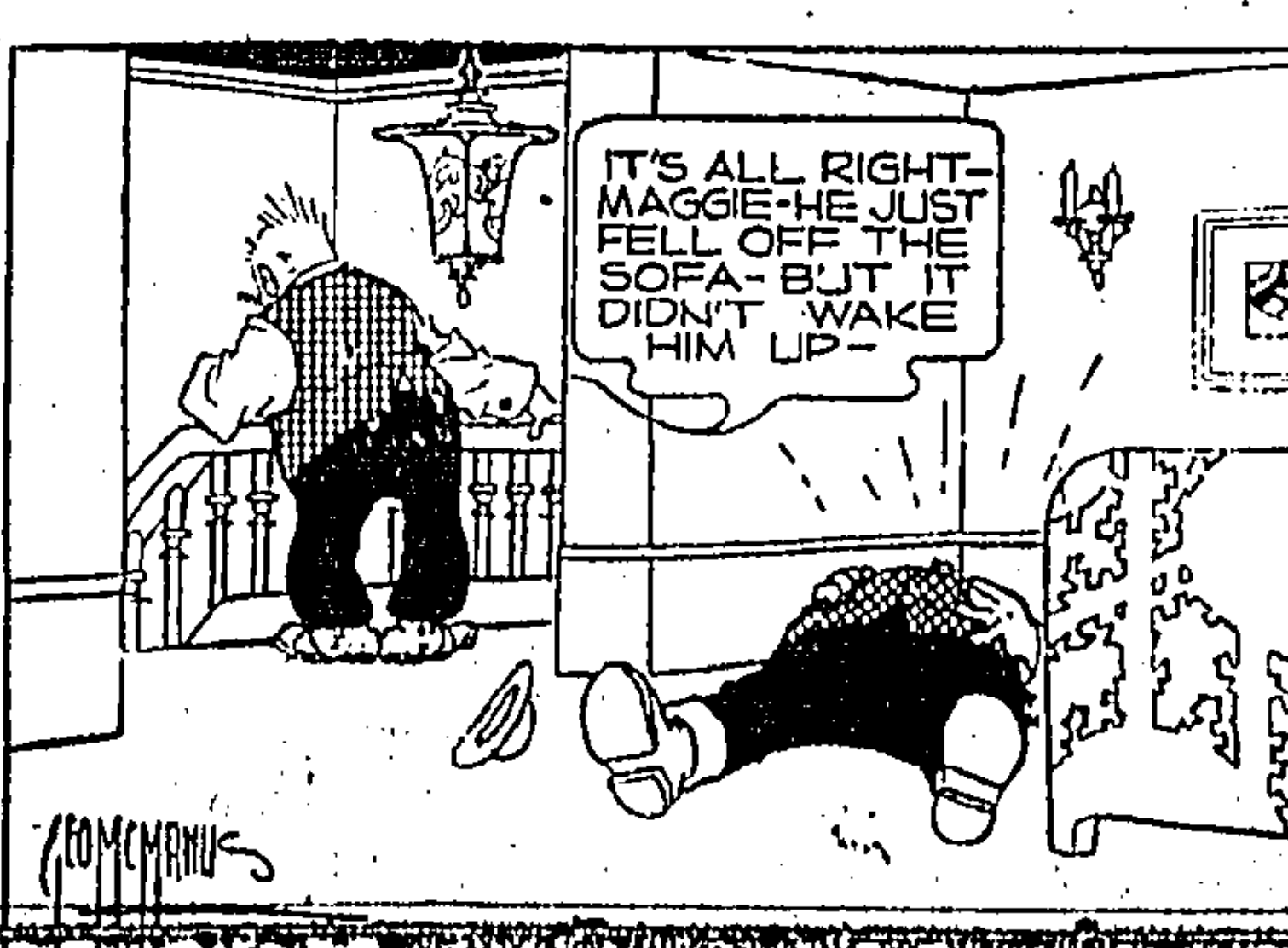
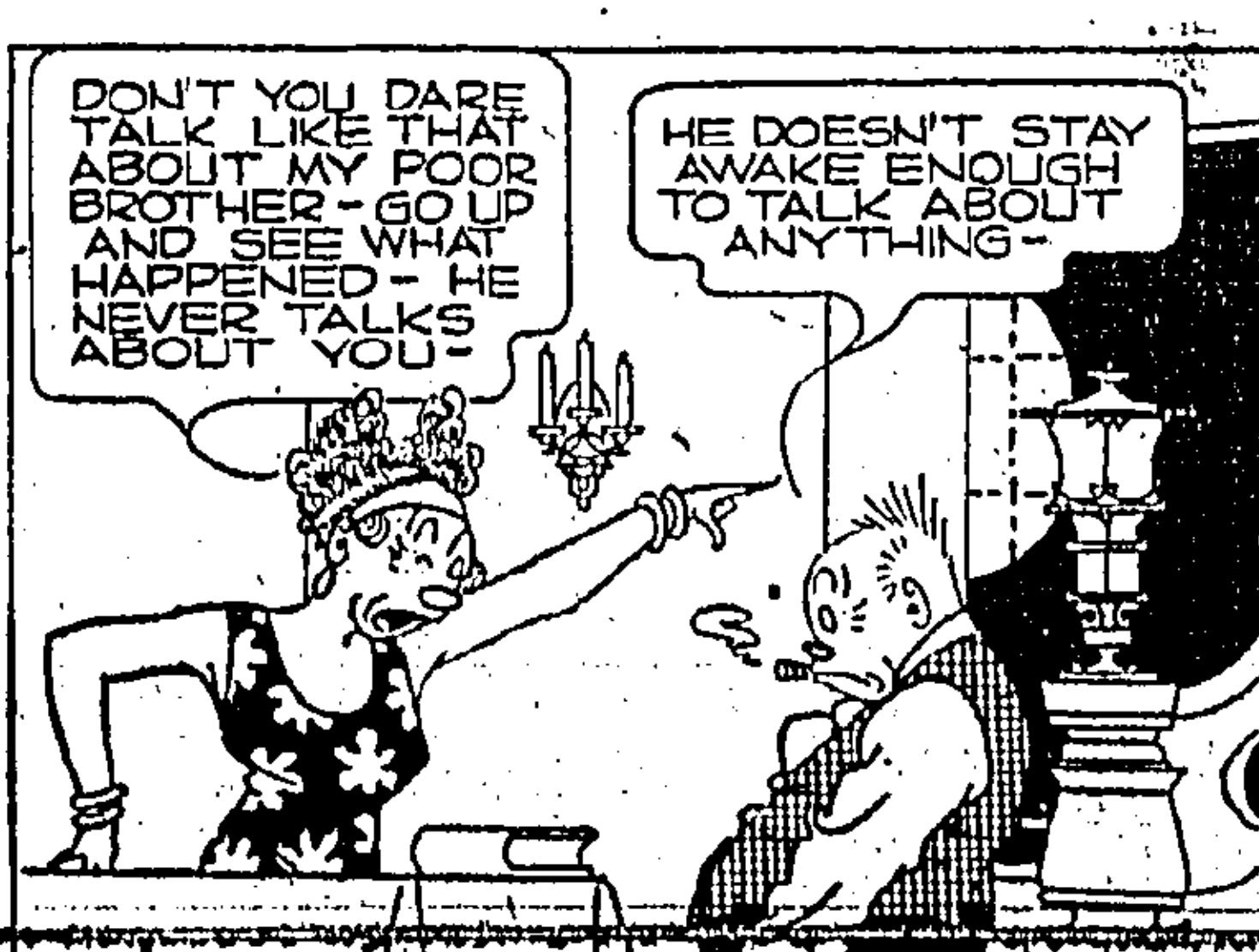
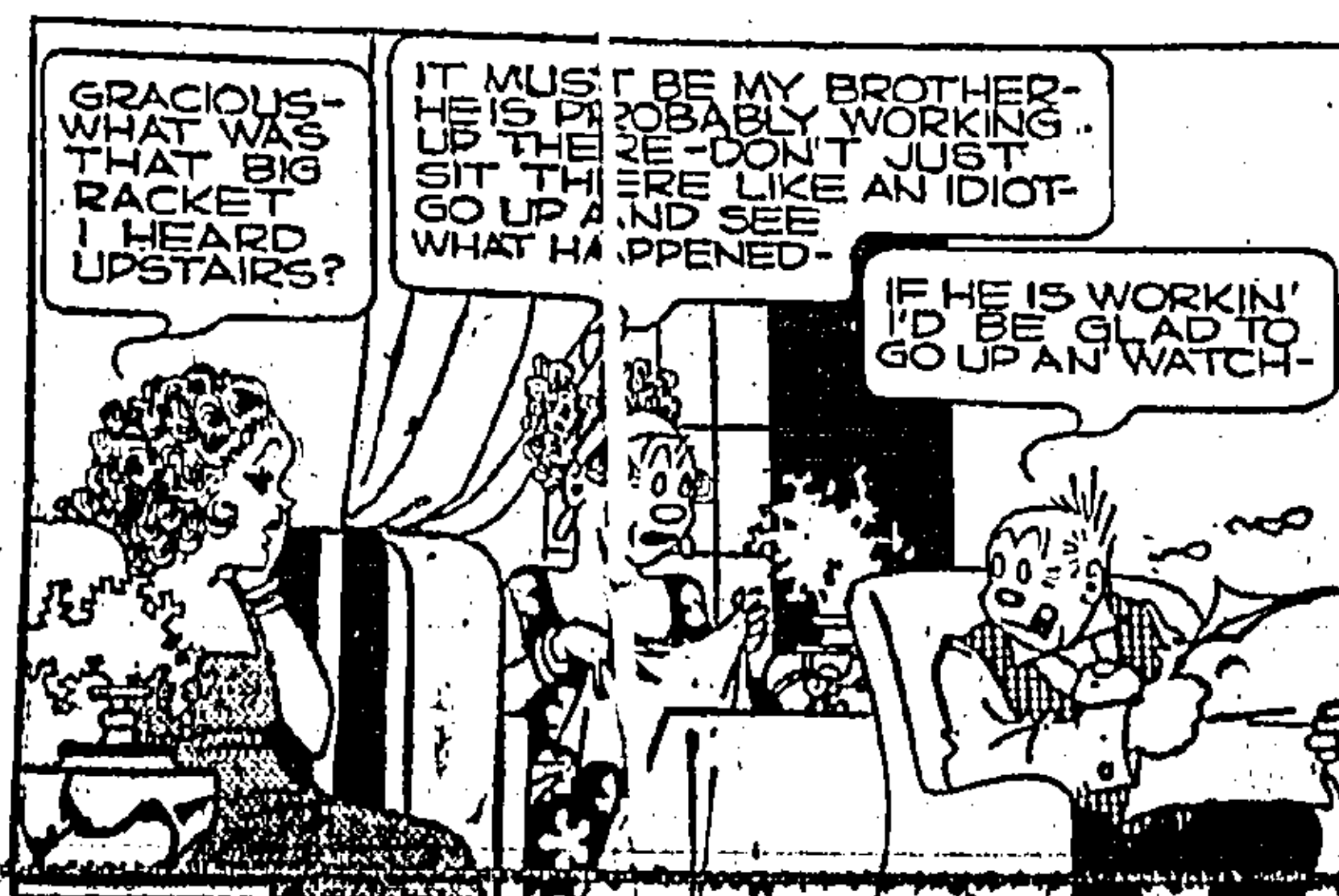
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Mr. Tebbetts Looks
Back At The Cinema

THE history of the cinema is short. Fifty or sixty years ago few people except "Ballet" and the Lumiere Brothers and a handful of enthusiasts had ever heard that pictures could be made to represent life in motion. Edison himself regarded it as a possible adjunct to the theatre or music-hall, and even thought it might be useful for schools or making pictorial records of important events. It never occurred to him that it was to be-

come, before many years had passed, the major form of popular entertainment and one of America's greatest industries.

Mr. W. E. Tebbetts entered the motion picture business in 1909. If he had been a little more astute, he told me, he would probably never have gone in to it at all, because it was then regarded as the surest

and safest way of losing one's money. The first moving picture had been shown in New York 12 or 13 years before but had attracted little attention. Since then a number of optimists had opened up in the big cities and were now desperately hanging on to their investments. Tebbetts

THEN they had a break. He cannot remember whether it was train smash or a fire or a shipwreck, but it was a living presentation of an actual event

WHAT about English films? Did his audiences like them? His reply was almost apologetic. A few of the Gaumont-British pictures had "gone

over big." "Henry the Eighth" was one of the most profitable pictures he has shown. Most of them just flopped. They were too slow. English producers forgot that movies must move. The humour was static and never helped the action. Wild West films, the bread and butter of the early days, had plenty of action, riding, shooting, fighting. They never stopped moving for a moment. Their logical successor is the gangster film. They get over, not so much because of their theme, as because there is action in every line. They keep moving. Chaplin, too. He was a truly great actor, with an immense personal appeal, but it was the abundance of action, serio-comic situations following quickly on each other's heels, which sold them. English films, with their better taste and greater polish, will begin to sell when this lesson has sunk right in.

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Mr. Tebbetts had a word to say about the cinema chains, which, strung right across America, were doing their best to strangle individual exhibitors. The "chains" are vertical combines, owning the products at all three stages, production, exchange and exhibition. Of course they get all the first runs, and then small owners have to be content with the poor pictures or the second or third runs of the good ones. Sometimes they are forced out

its merits.



Mr. and Mrs. William James Cameron, who were married at St. John's Cathedral on Thursday. Mrs. Cameron was formerly Miss Muriel Gordon Smith.

PERSONALIA

Mr. Aw Hoe, son of Mr. Aw Boon Haw, and general manager of the "Sing Tao Jih Pao," is shortly to be married.

Mr. E. Bressy, attached to the Imperial Airways, is reported progressing favourably from his recent illness.

Mr. John Potter, former member of the crew of the "Sea Dragon," is leaving for America on Friday in the s.s. President Cleveland.

Among passengers who sailed for America on the Empress of Russia were Mr. John E. Bacon, Captain Bennett, and Mr. T. G. H. Brayfield.

Mrs. C. A. Sutherland Russ, wife of the well-known local lawyer, left for Manila yesterday on the s.s. Conte Bianca-mano. Mr. Russ left recently on a business trip to Batavia.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Harper returned to the Colony from Manila during the week.

LITTLE NOTES of Great Importance

The romantic past, with a dash of the present, however in the diaphanous folds of a few exclusive evening gowns of delicate lace and still not received by the Ladies' Salon of LANE, CRAWFORD'S. The elegance of "faire ladyes" is embodied in a full-skirted crinoline with tier upon tier of white lace and deliberately demure dropped shoulder-line, while an inspired combination of satin and lace makes poetry of dancing. If you've got a lovely figure give expression to it in this one. The top is a daring and beautifully moulded one of satin, and is secured for modesty's sake by hands of rucked satin which stretch down the front of the bodice to end in an artful bow at the waist. Lace fashions the wide spreading skirt, with more rucked trimming a short distance from the hemline, and it tops at least two petticoats, one of satin and the other of net. A pervading atmosphere of "ladies, delicately reared, gently nurtured" is captured in two other selections of romantic strains. But see them for yourself—it's so much more satisfying than mere words.

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Half the fun of lounging lies in having comfortable, as well as colourful, things to lounge in, and the superbly tailored tribute silk (with brocade finish) lounge robes at THE LINEN CHEST should meet with the hearty approval of men and women alike. Yes, this firm goes in for certain men's garments as well, and it is of these that we wish to speak. We've mentioned the fabric—as for the style, all we can say is that it looks to us like one of those smart, comfortable, inside-out designs that men like most. Four-pocketed to contain cigarette case, pipe or what-have-you. A swanky snash with silk fringe trimming; rounded lapels that spell high fashion, and satin lined for perfection. In colours that speak softly. Along with these robes there are tailored dressing gowns for women; of similar fabric, but brighter tones. (Gold-on-black, or purple, are shades to look for. The highly personalised table napkins, with one smooth initial, should find its way into every home, and on every table. Not many of these hurry to Room 310, Telephone Building.

For this year's Spring promenade you may suit your costume to the weather and your mood. If the day is cold and cloudy, be prepared with a pastel knitted suit in washable cotton that never loses its shape. You find this type of suit at MRS. WELLY'S, Room 334, Wang Hing, Metropole Hotel Building, and you don't have to be told that it will provide the backbone of your entire Spring wardrobe. Colours are mixed in a zesty manner—a navy tweed-piece with triangular breast pockets is trimmed on sleeve pockets and buckle with red, sky blue and yellow polka dots; a lavender number with collared jacket is embroidered all over with inverted commas in tones of mauve and purple, while a lemon yellow, featuring heart-shaped breast pockets, has brown running stitches outlining lapels and pockets. A striped scarf in tones of brown, henna and yellow, accompanies this one. And for something new and dramatic in beach wear, see the cellophane skull caps in black, bottle green and white, and black and white.

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The Original Vamp: Theda Bara in "Salome" 1918.

betts, at that time an insurance clerk with little ambition to be anything else, met the proprietor of a theatre in Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago, and by that accident became a movie exhibitor. His theatre, a well-built stone building, was conspicuous mostly for the years of dust and rust that covered it, inside and out. Periodically it was taken over by repertory or opera companies, who never paid their way and soon left.

"LOOK at Milwaukee Avenue," groaned the proprietor, "it's the busiest street in Chicago. Thousands pass down it every hour. Why can't I get some of them into my theatre?"

"Perhaps you offer the wrong goods," suggested Tebbetts. "America is growing fast. It thinks fast. It wants something modern with plenty of movement." He added as an afterthought, "such as the movies."

THE idea stuck in his mind and a week later he went back and offered to rent the theatre at \$500 a month, with a month in advance. His bank roll was \$1200, and when he had spent \$200 on a squad of charwomen and \$300 on the electricians, there was little left. An advertisement in a newspaper, offering a half-share for \$4000, brought nearly 500 applications. The applicant he chose—picked at random from the heap of letters—was visibly impressed both by the renovated theatre and by the teeming crowds that passed in front of it.

WHEN the cinema had been running three months, the partner wished very heartily that some other of the 500 applicants had been chosen instead of himself. The piano echoed hollowly through a hall too often empty of patrons. The shows themselves were often poor. Few films ran for more than 15 minutes. Sometimes a performance consisted of eight to a dozen films, mostly of about 3 minutes' duration. Often they had to pad out the show with vaudeville turns. Breaks in the films, together with the hisses and catcalls that accompanied them, were a regular feature. The pictures often flickered. The lighting was bad. Mr. Tebbetts now smiles at those early days, when the movies were regarded as a curiosity and people could hardly be dragged into a cinema at any price.



The Modern Vamp: Marlene Dietrich.



An "historic" picture of Mack Swain, Gloria Swanson, and the Keystone Bathing Beauties of 1915.

theatre is being built for him. And when I spoke to him this week, he had just received a cablegram from home, telling him that "the opposition" had started building another just opposite his new site.

HE remembers how some of the great landmarks of film-making affected his own theatres. "The Birth of a Nation," made by the first great producer, W. D. Griffith, ran for weeks and broke all sorts of records. The next came five or six years later with the "Four Horsemen of Apocalypse." Featuring an almost unknown player, it created a sensation which has never been equalled. Incidentally, in spite of the hysterical adoration it brought Valentino, no other of his films had anything approaching the drawing power of the "Four Horsemen."

THE third box-office record breaker was "The Jazz Singer." It was the first talking picture, and owed much of its success to the novelty of sound. There have been, of course, hundreds of fortune-making films, but these three stand out as being quite exceptional. In the early days, the steadiest favourites were Charlie Chaplin, the Keystone comedies, the Pearl White and Fantomas serials.

into the suburbs, or have to sell out to the combines.

THERE are a few producing companies, said Mr. Tebbetts, which supply them with first-class films, notably Columbia and Universal. None the less, the individual exhibitors still fight with the chances weighted against them. On the other hand, they have one advantage over the multiple theatres, the advantage of personal contact. The big shots have not recognised the real reason why people go to the pictures. They go to escape reality, to rub away the cares and worries of the day. What they want is music and comfort and the company of their fellows. Only secondly do they want good films. First-class pictures will always attract big audiences, and poor ones will keep them away, but on the whole it is the cinema they want rather than the films. Or so Mr. Tebbetts believes. He believes that in knowing his patrons, indulging their whims, making them feel that their comfort is his first consideration, he gets a pull that the bigger companies cannot negative. None the less, he is pleased at the legislation, now taking shape, which will divorce by law film-exhibiting from film-producing and which will ensure that every cinema theatre will succeed or fail on



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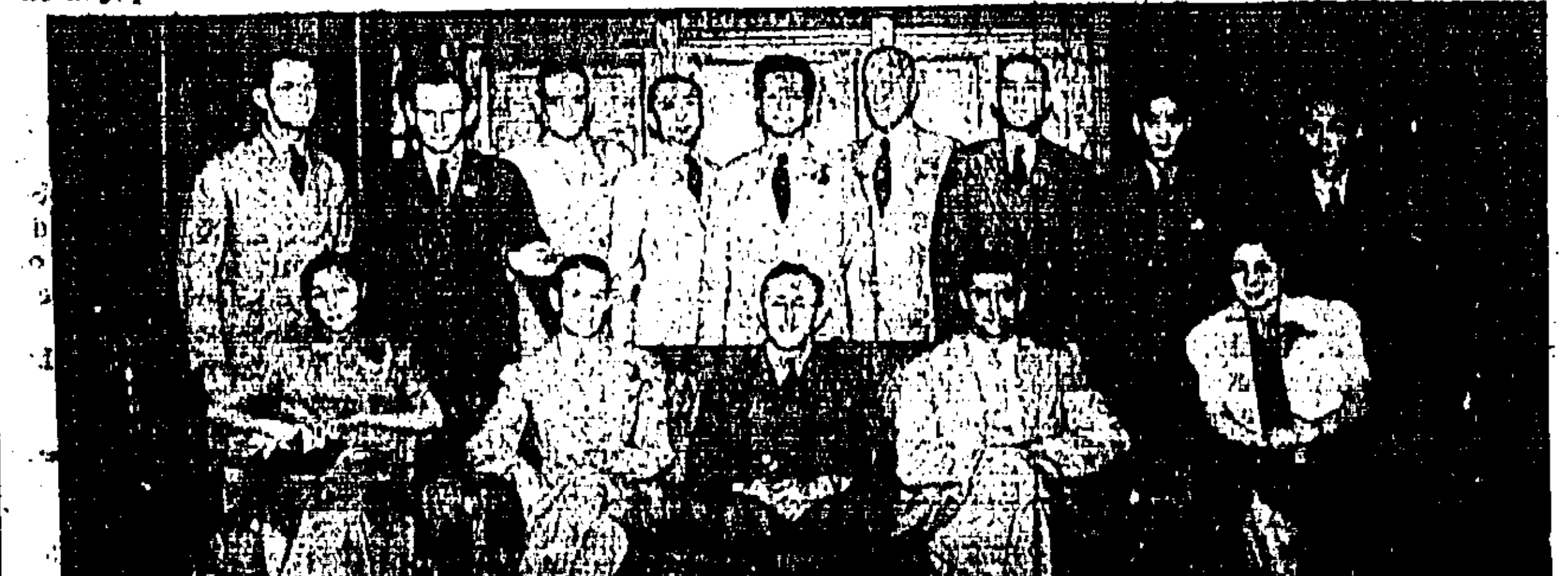


Photo taken at a film party given by the San-Li at the Hong Kong Hotel on Tuesday to welcome Mr. J. C. Grant, Superintendent of Agencies from Montreal, who was paying his first visit to Hong Kong. Mr. Grant is seated in the centre, with Mr. J. P. Whitham on his left and Mr. Lamport on his right.

YEARS OF STOMACH AGONY ENDED

Are you a victim of what you believe to be inevitable stomach trouble? Mr. S. T. W. has a strong sympathy for those who, like him, have struggled with the misery of long-drawn-out stomach suffering. So delighted is he now, at having found complete relief, that he writes the following letter, "hoping that it may cause some poor sufferers to know that, however long they suffered, and whatever age they are, there is still hope for them in Maclean Brand Stomach Powder."

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Grovelling, Degrading Idolatry

A PART from positive revelation, is there a consciousness of right and wrong, implanted by Nature in the minds of all normal men and women, and claiming absolute authority?

The worshippers of the State, beginning with Hobbes and Machiavelli, and continuing through the Hegellians to the modern dictators and their supporters, say there is none. The State is the creator of right and wrong. It is, says Hegel, the Divine Idea on earth. "It is the mortal God," says William Wallace, a philosopher of the same school, "and in this world should be ubiquitous and omnipotent."

This is in my opinion the wickedest of all heresies. The worship of the State is grovelling and degrading idolatry, fit only for a nation of slaves.

The opposite view—the theory of natural rights and of natural right—is most certainly not, as Professor Ritchie says, "the outgrowth of the Protestant revolt against the authority of tradition." It is, and always has been, the court of appeal for those who are oppressed or persecuted by the State; but it is as old as Christianity, and much older.

We find it in Sophocles, who makes Antigone say to the King: "I did not think that your decrees were of such force that they could override the unwritten and immovable laws of heaven." The Stoics held that the law of Nature is the law of God. One of them, Ulpian, is the author of the famous pronouncement, "By the law of Nature all men are born free."

St. Paul says that the Gentiles who do not know the Jewish law are a law to themselves, obeying the law written in their hearts. Origen, in the third century of our era, says: "We may obey the laws of the State only when they agree with the Divine law; when they contradict Divine and natural law we must obey God alone."

Divine and natural law are assumed to be the same.

This has been the consistent teaching of the Catholic Church.

"In the court of conscience," says Thomas Aquinas, "there is no obligation to obey an unjust law." Who is to decide whether a law is unjust? The only possible appeal is to the law of Nature, which secures to all mankind certain elementary rights.

But, it was objected, according to the law of Nature, there would be no war, no slavery, no private property, no Government. This is not a practicable ideal.

True, said the Church authorities; these institutions do not exist in Heaven. But we are not in Heaven, nor even in the golden age. God has sanctioned a relative law of Nature, which binds all men under present conditions.

BY THE VERY REV. W.R. INGE

Under present conditions the enjoyment of property honestly come by is a natural right, and we ought to obey the Government.

This seems to take away the right of rebellion, which the theory of natural law sanctions. King James I. argued that subjects ought to obey a bad King, who has been sent them perhaps as a punishment for their sins. Our ancestors, however, decided that, sinful as they no doubt were, they had not deserved the Jameses.

In happier days than ours, when no one had dared to reject liberty as a bourgeois conception, Locke taught that men, "who are by nature free, equal and independent," have agreed to accept governments as long as they are thus enabled to preserve themselves, their liberty and their property. So long and no longer.

Blackstone in 1765 asserts that elementary rights of citizens in every community where natural

law is denied. The State may commandeer at will all the property of the citizens. It may require them to risk or sacrifice their lives in a war, with which they have no concern. It may prohibit under savage penalties any expression of private judgment.

There is no extremity of injustice and oppression to which a government may not proceed, if the principle be admitted that the individual has no rights against the State.

Things are now being done in several civilised countries to which there is no historical parallel since the Dark Ages.

We cannot, it is true, admit the Roman Catholic doctrine that one Church is the sole interpreter of natural law. This is only to substitute another positive tribunal for the State as the creator and arbiter of the law of conscience. Such a theory emasculates human freedom as completely as servitude to the State.

Nor can we admit that the law of Nature is absolutely immutable—another Catholic doctrine. In several ways the human conscience makes demands upon us which it did not always make, and alters the scale of moral values. It is partly these changes, approved by the enlightened conscience of intelligent persons, which cause the conflicts between reformers and traditionalists.

Nevertheless, until we return to the conviction that there is such a thing as natural right and justice, which no decrees of man can override, the world will remain "full of darkness and cruel habitations." We are threatened with what Gladstone said of the Government of King Bomba at Naples—"The negation of God erected into a system."


The evil spirit seems just now to be triumphant. It rears with those nations which still enjoy liberty and hate war to show that they value their convictions. As Cicero said of the Romans, "Other nations may endure slavery; liberty is the inalienable possession of the Roman people."

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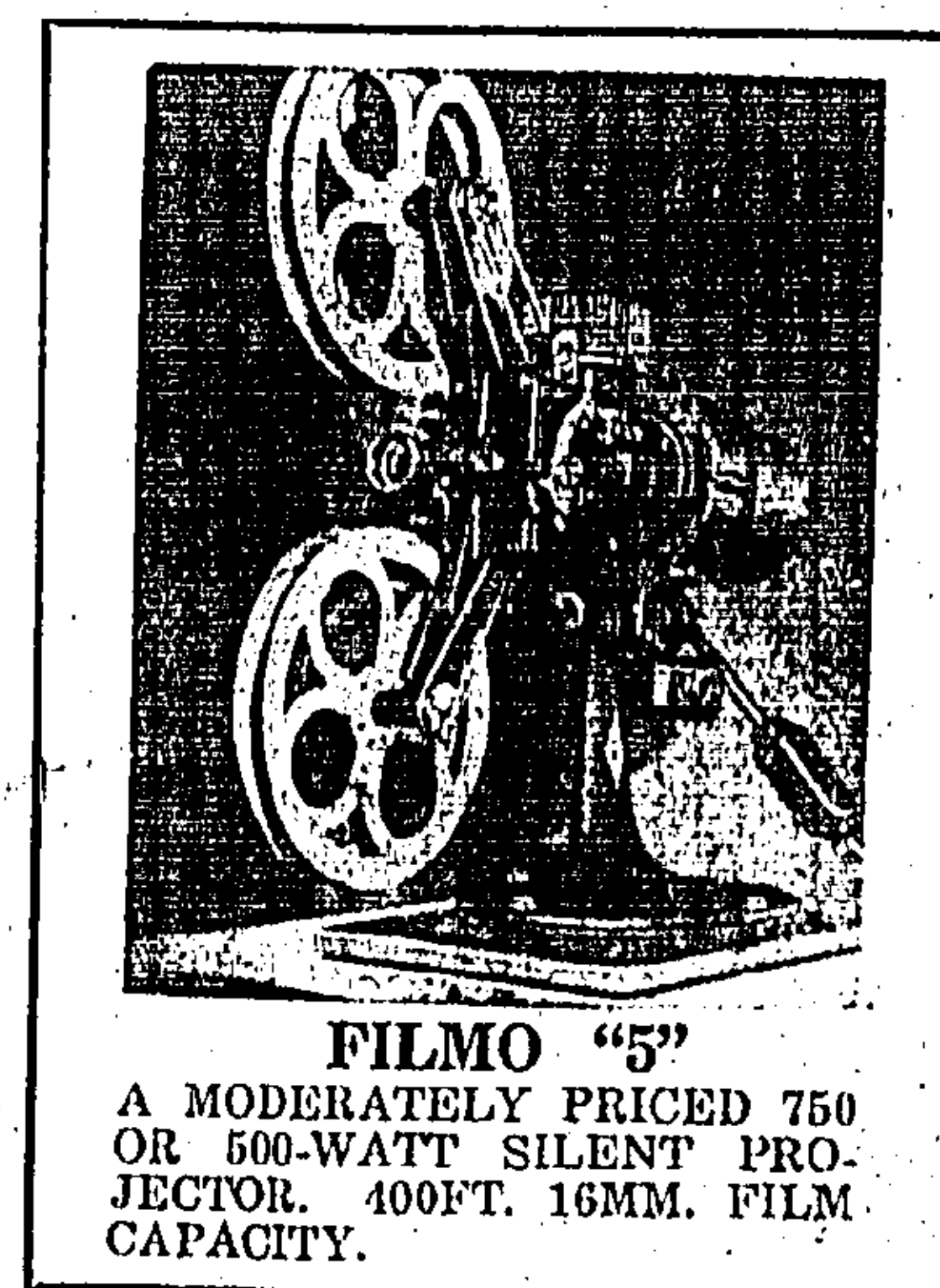
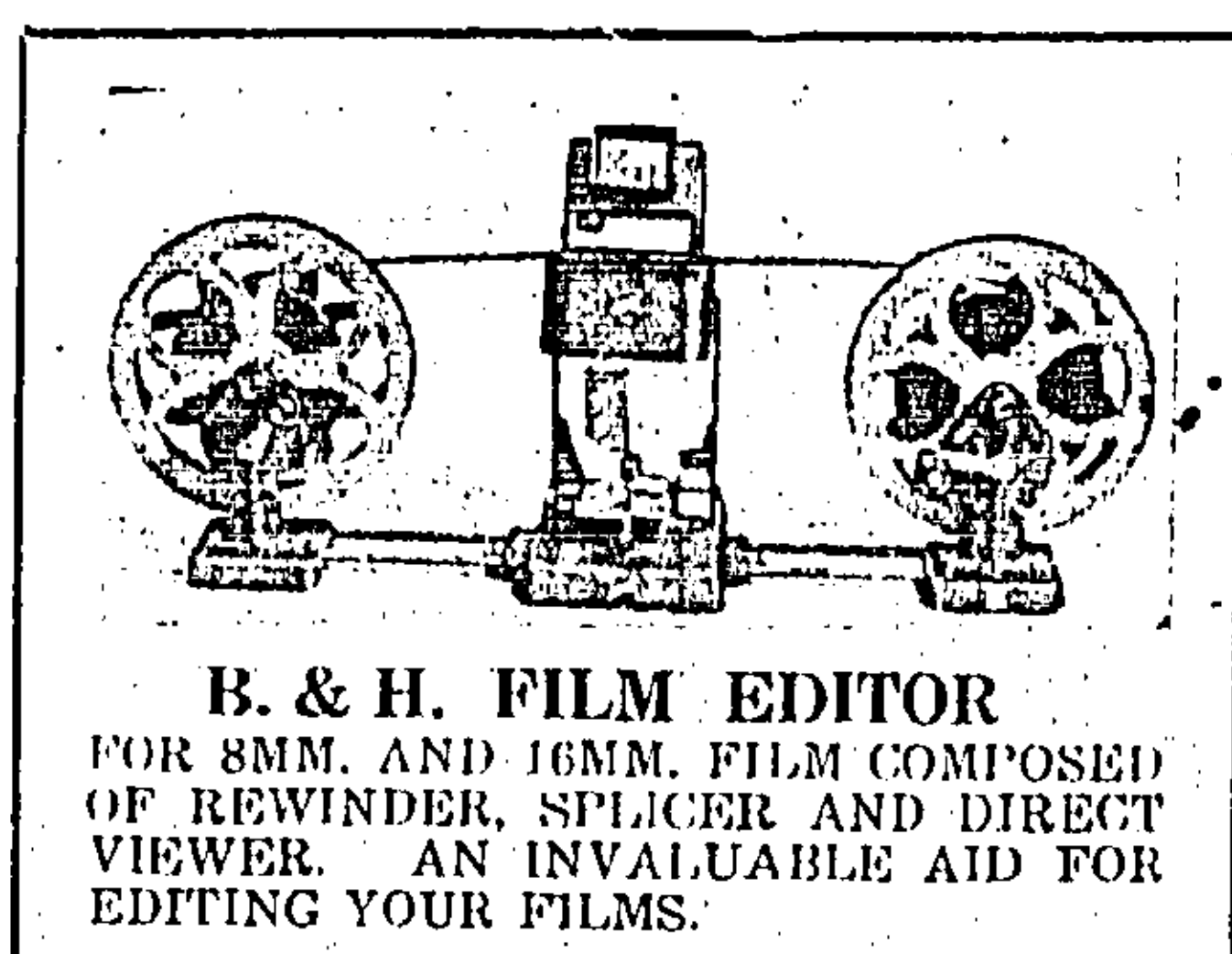
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DODWELL AND THE PRESS:
"SENSATION SLEUTHS"

Dear Sir,—When last Sunday I read your article written by Madame Tabouis on the international situation, I was reminded firstly of a short paragraph which appeared in "Truth" on 24th February, and secondly of the outspoken remarks of Sir Ernest Benn, Bt. at recent meeting of the United Kingdom Provident Institution in London.

The paragraph in "Truth" was as follows:—

"The Germans openly proclaim that the Washington scaremongers get their information from the egregious Mme. Tabouis. It certainly looks like it."

In the "Sunday Referee" of February 19, Madame Tabouis gave a detailed description of the sequence of the new coup that Hitler is planning. It was mischief-making of the most criminal kind, calculated—in so far as Mme. Tabouis has any influence at all—to exacerbate international tension and ill-feeling. In my opinion, the Government will be failing in their public duty if they do not demand from the Oatier brothers—the proprietors of the "Sunday Referee"—Mme. Tabouis' justification for her inflammatory dispatches. As her books demonstrate, she is an ignorant, prejudiced and venomous woman. Why should this French Jewess be allowed to continue writing in a British newspaper sections which enormously complicate the problems that worry the life out of all of us? We are fools to let her go on, because every word she writes makes it manifest that she will not be content until Great Britain and Germany spring at each other's throats. She should be stopped at once and without ceremony."

Sir Ernest Benn said:—"Commerce and industry have always suffered the handicap of politics, but in these modern times a serious new barrier to peace and prosperity has arisen in the shape of an enormous expansion of the machinery for the distribution of news. Hour by hour, the rotary press and the wireless have to be fed with more and more news. There remains, however, among all these advances and improvements, the age-old difficulty that good news is no news, and bad news is good news. Thus in the realm of foreign affairs, we only hear of the bad in other nations, and they, in their turn, are only informed of the bad, which, strange as it may seem to us, is also to be found or invented here."

Every nation is amply supplied with skilful sensation sleuths, experts in the discovery or invention of scandal and rumour, and the provision of headlines and scares. The business of news gathering and news distribution, on paper and on the air, must now be ranked with the greatest of our industries.

In this country alone it employs more than £100,000,000 of capital; there is a daily newspaper circulation of 30,000,000 copies, and there are nearly 9,200,000 wireless licenses.

To remember that the whole of this impressive structure is absolutely governed by the very human preference for bad news, is to realise one of the difficulties of a peace-making Prime Minister, and the jeopardy in which quiet and confidence always stand.

The difference or difficulty about which men can disagree, argue, or even fight, is as old as history, but only in recent times has it become the essential raw material of a great and powerful industry. I fear that to preach good will to the news trade, the bad news trade as it must be called, is something like advocating teetotalism to brewers. But a more general understanding of this difficulty is one of the most urgent of present-day needs.

In the absence of cheer, or comfort, or encouragement from the news services, we are only saved from disaster by the good people, who still find, if not 'sermons in stones,' at least some 'good in everything.'

I agree with Sir Ernest except that I feel the time has now come, if it has not long passed, when we can preach goodwill to the news trade.

The activities of the "sensation sleuths" should be diverted to the discovery of the good instead of the bad in the world, so that our news services can dispense a little "cheer, comfort and encouragement" in place of articles similar to that of Madame Tabouis. I am convinced that such a welcome change would not only assist the cause of world peace, but increase the circulation of our papers.

Yours faithfully,

STANLEY H. DODWELL.

[The Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell's letter will compel attention because in its motive it represents the point of view of a considerable number of people.]

In principle, and with what we believe to be the primary object of his letter, we find ourselves warmly in agreement.

These are times, however, in which it is possible for the Prime Minister of England to say that slight weight in one direction or another may determine whether war breaks out, and the B.B.C. endeavours to provide light relief to its bulletins by announcing decisions concerning the price of cutlets in fried fish shops.

Mr. Dodwell will not, therefore, object if we also provide two quotations, as follows:

"EMBARRASSMENT"—
"Last week's events caused intense embarrassment to a number of opinionated papers with early press dates. Thus we find 'Truth' rather left in the lurch over the criticism of Madame Tabouis, though we should add that the ensuing little poem (quote follows) was wickedly clever. It ran, in part:—

"My Tabouis, my Tabouis,
Together 'neath the table
We crouch, while Ribbentrop
And Hitler gaily swap
Secrets for you to cable
With you mare's nesting I must go
Where jitterbugs false rumours row
And panic-stricken markets flop,
Scared by an empty fabric!
"The whole as we indicated, rather overshadowed by Hitler taking it upon himself to help certain of la Tabouis' prophecies eventuate."

"World's Press News."
"In tangled situations like ours today, where the pull of conflicting sympathies and the push of opposing programmes are strong, it is by your help that the public comes at last to recognise the rightness of an action, the justice of a principle."

"The people are calm and firm because the newspapers have educated them not to lose their heads or become panicky. You have served them—serving them—well."

Mr. Joseph Kennedy, American Ambassador in London, at the American Night dinner at the Press Club on March 23.

Peake Pasha Home
For Good

London, Yesterday.

PEAKEPASHA, whom the desert Bedouin know as "the man without fear," has come home for good.

He has resigned his job as commander of the Arab Legion and Director of Public Security for Transjordan because he wants to enjoy a little rural quiet after 21 years' continuous service, during which risking his life was often part of the day's routine.

With him is his young Scottish wife, whom he met by chance, in the desert country a few months before their marriage just over a year ago.

Peake Pasha's last job of work was the rout of a large band of rebel invaders from Syria on March 12-13 in the desert battle of the Palestine frontier.

TOUGH FIGHTERS
The strength of the Legion has been raised from 1,200 to 2,000, chiefly Bedouin, Arabs and Circassians — bravest and toughest fighters in the world.

In the next P. and O. liner Peake Pasha's bodyguard, 35-year-old Ahmed Salem, arrives.

This is the first time that Ahmed and the Pasha have been separated since, 18 years ago, the Pasha found him one morning asleep on his horse in the desert.

Peake Pasha and his wife are going to Scotland, and then returning to London to find a house in the English countryside.



THE PLAY'S NOT THE THING.—"The play's the thing," said Shakespeare — but it is no longer THE thing when the country lies under the threat of war. So Britain's stage stars are joining up in Territorial units of the army. Photo shows (from right to left) Frank Lawton, Guy Middleton and Neil Arden, doing their first rifle drill at the headquarters of the Queen's Westminsters.

Like Mrs. Roosevelt

One person more than any other has been responsible for arousing emotional excitement over Europe in the United States.

She is Miss Dorothy Thompson, wife of Mr. Sinclair Lewis, and America's most influential political commentator.

In the last few years she has risen head and shoulders above her male competitors in journalism.

She has eclipsed her husband and at one time was even suggested, semi-seriously, as a possible Presidential candidate. Mr. Lewis was asked what he thought about it. "I'm all for it," he said, "then I can write a column called 'My Day,' like Mrs. Roosevelt."

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Why Spotlight Is Now On Greece

"THE Greeks would never fight with Germany against England, but they would fight with England against Germany."

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Characteristically, too, those words were spoken in French. The sentiment expressed and the language used combined to underline the traditional Greek ties with, and regard for, the two great democracies at the other end of Europe.

All very touching so far as popular feeling goes; but in complete contradiction to the consistently pro-Nazi policy of the old pro-German General Metaxas, the discredited political intriguer who was jockeyed into power as dictator on August 4, 1936, and has since held the country tight in a totalitarian grip which Hitler could hardly better.

SCOTTISH LIKENESS

Before passing to consider these political matters in more detail, however, let us get some general idea of this country, known vaguely to all of us for its antique fame, which Axis aggression has suddenly brought on to the front pages of the world.

To picture Greece to yourself think of the map of Scotland—turned upside down. The northern Highlands correspond to the Peloponnese, Greece's southern peninsula. For the Shetlands read Crete. The Hebridean islands stand for the islands of the Aegean.

The Caledonian canal corresponds to the Gulf of Corinth, while the Grampians round the mountain mass sweeping round the Albanian and Yugoslav front-

iers, circling the plain of Thessaly, Greece's Lowlands.

This Scottish analogy is suggestive because the face of the country is—Thessaly apart—all mountain and glen, rocky coast and open lochs; and very many of Greece's 7,000,000 people are Highlanders, Islanders—mountain crofters, herdsmen, sailors and fishermen.

POVERTY AND RICHES

Greece, too, is a miserably poor country. An American diplomat in Athens told me that he considered the standard of living to be the lowest in Europe.

The staple diet is bread and olive oil, now more and more the inferior cottonseed oil, imported from Egypt because Metaxas has been boosting up olive oil exports.

An ordinary labourer's wage amounts to less than 2s. a day; a woman worker's wage (in a modern cigarette factory, for example) to about 1s. A highly skilled printer, best-paid workers in Greece as elsewhere, gets under 6s. a day.

In the country wooden ploughs and oxen drawing rickety carts with crude solid wooden wheels give an impression of truly Oriental poverty.

In Athens the pavements swarm with pale, peaked child-

By
ALLAN HUTT

pedlars; many taximen cannot afford room-rent and sleep in their cabs; barefooted down-and-outs, ragged and filthy, shamble along the smartest streets amid a throng of beautifully dressed, miraculously shod ladies who would romp home in a European elegance contest.

No wonder the Greeks have a proverb for it—"a poor man dies every day." No wonder that the



Greece and the Aegean: the Dodecanese Islands (circled by dotted line) belong to Italy; the railway north from Athens to Belgrade is the single effective land communication with the rest of Europe.

remittances from emigrants in and barren Aegean islands like Anaphi, where the exiles have to "live" on a pittance of about fourpence a day.

TOBACCO FOR ARMS

Although Greece is a predominantly agricultural country, it does not grow enough wheat to feed its people; and grain heads the list of its imports, with textiles, metals, machinery, coal and oil following.

By far its most important export is tobacco, for what we still call "Turkish" tobacco comes from Greece's Macedonian province, centred on the currants and raisins, hides and skins, olives and olive oil.

Economically, Metaxas has put Greece in Germany's pocket by the "frozen credits" arrangement with the Reichsbank which pipe-lines the major part of Greek exports straight to Hitlerland, exchanging the tobacco—which the Germans promptly re-export in large quantities, thus spoiling the Greek markets—for armaments of quality so dubious that the embarrassed General was relieved to allow them to be smuggled to Spain.

Politically, Metaxas has suppressed all opposition ruthlessly, starting with the Communists and extending to the most moderate Liberals.

There are now 13,000 Greek democrats languishing in gaol, in the overcrowded concentration camp that has been fashioned out of the grim old fortress high on its hill overlooking Nauplia, in remote

Change Of The Moon

[A change of the moon was blamed by a Salisbury resident as his reason for hiding under the bed in another man's house—he could account in no other way for an action so out of line with his usual course of conduct.]

It's queer, my dear, what things appear at changes of the moon: The Fool becomes a Sage, my dear, the Sage becomes a loon, The Thief mayhap becomes the

chap who doeth good by stealth, Endowing Policemen's Orphans with his misbegotten wealth; The virtuous City Clerk, my dear, takes rabidly to crime, Abducting West-end Mamequins a dozen at a time, And Screen-stars plunged in numerics avoid the public eye, And Crowds politely turn their backs when Royalty goes by, And Rothermore says wistfully, "The 'Daily Mail' is mush," And Hitler praises Bernard Shaw, who can't restrain a blush, And Chamberlain braves Britain's rain with neither hat nor camp, And Mussolini dons a snow-white shirt and trims a Toe-H lamp, And Champions of the Ring declare, "I don't believe I'll win," And Beauty-Tollit-Exports cry, "Put nothing on the skin!" And Bookies wave your bets aside, advising: "Save your pence!" And Tomfool takes to writing rhymes replete with common-

sense. In anger my dear, Tomfool's near—but all too bally soon The world reverts to type and tripe, with changes of the moon.

TOMFOOL

LESSON OF 1914

Strategically, Greece occupies in the Mediterranean a position that can be either an almost insurmountable barrier to the Italians and Germans, or a priceless asset in their drive to the East.

Occupation of the Ionian islands would render Italian control of the Adriatic abortive. The Cyclades, with their harbours lying athwart the main Mediterranean-Black Sea route, would compensate in the eastern Mediterranean for the loss to the democracies of the Balearics in the western sea; further north, Skiathos is already a normal port of call for the British Fleet.

On the other hand, the Greeks could be sorely threatened by a

H. N. BRAILSFORD is taking a short holiday. He will resume his usual weekly article next Sunday.

German-backed Bulgarian attack, driving down for the coveted port of Alexandropolis in the Aegean.

Let it not be forgotten that the socially pro-British and politically pro-German aristocracy in the Court of Greece were responsible for the coaling in an obscure island of the Aegean of the Goeben and Breslau in 1914. Had these two German ships not escaped through the Dardanelles, Turkey may well have stayed neutral or even entered the war on the side of the Allies.

In either case, the war would have been shortened, and millions of lives saved.

USELESS PLEDGE

The Greek people are proud, independent, and deeply democratic. Metaxas they regard with cynicism or hatred; for the King and the truly Byzantine court they have nothing but contempt.

I recall an instance when Metaxas, on tour with the King, had to incite the regimented cheerleaders to give the disregarded monarch one, too, by a most undignified jerking of the thumb in the direction of the hardly noticed royal presence.

To-day the Greeks are bewildered and puzzled. They would be our friends. We make no effort to secure their friendship.

A Chamberlain "promise" to guarantee a frontier which the Metaxas policy has jeopardised is a guarantee of nothing. The League, organised in Athens for our Board of Trade by Lady Maureen Stanley, was futile as an effort to wean Greece from her trade dependence on Germany.

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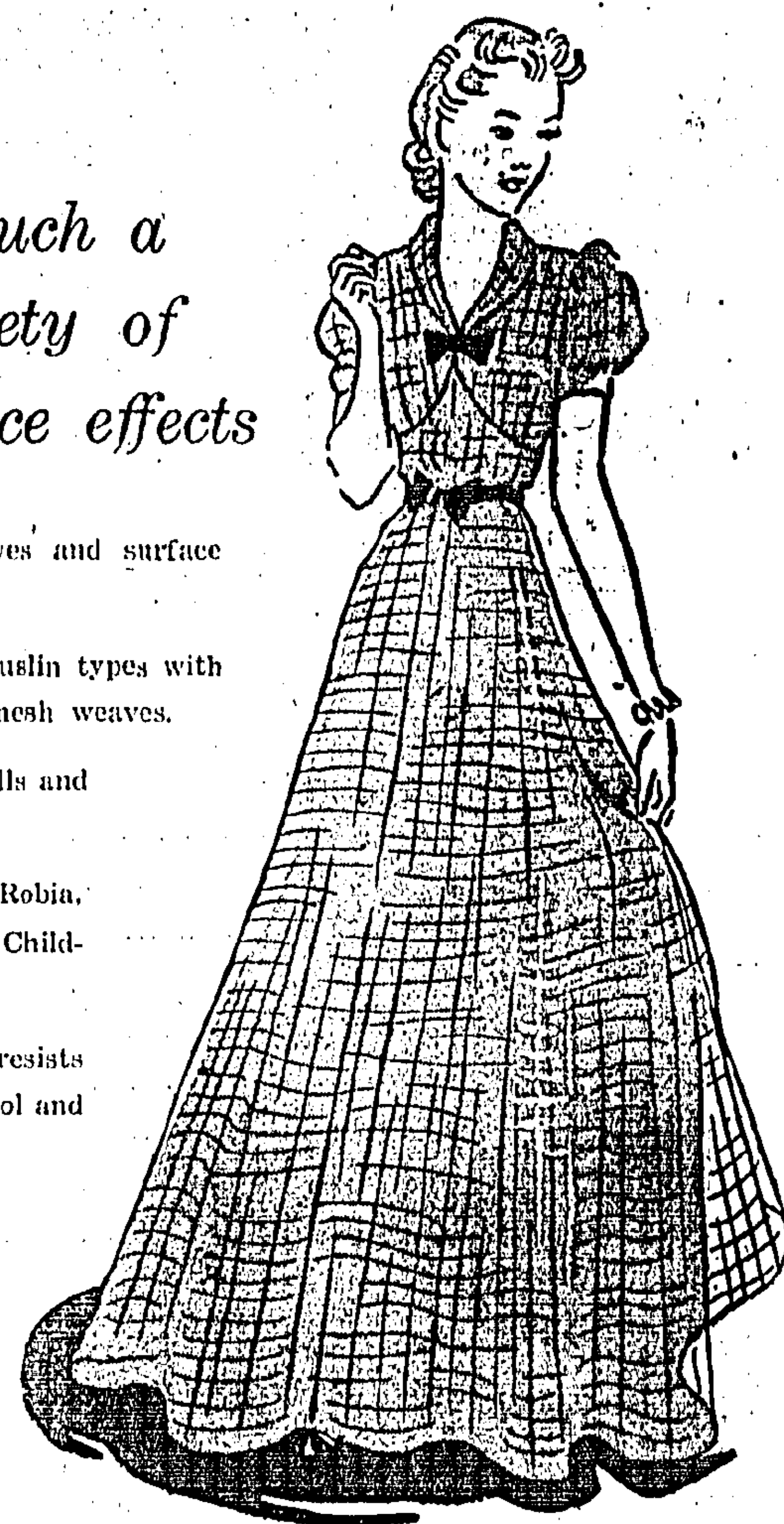
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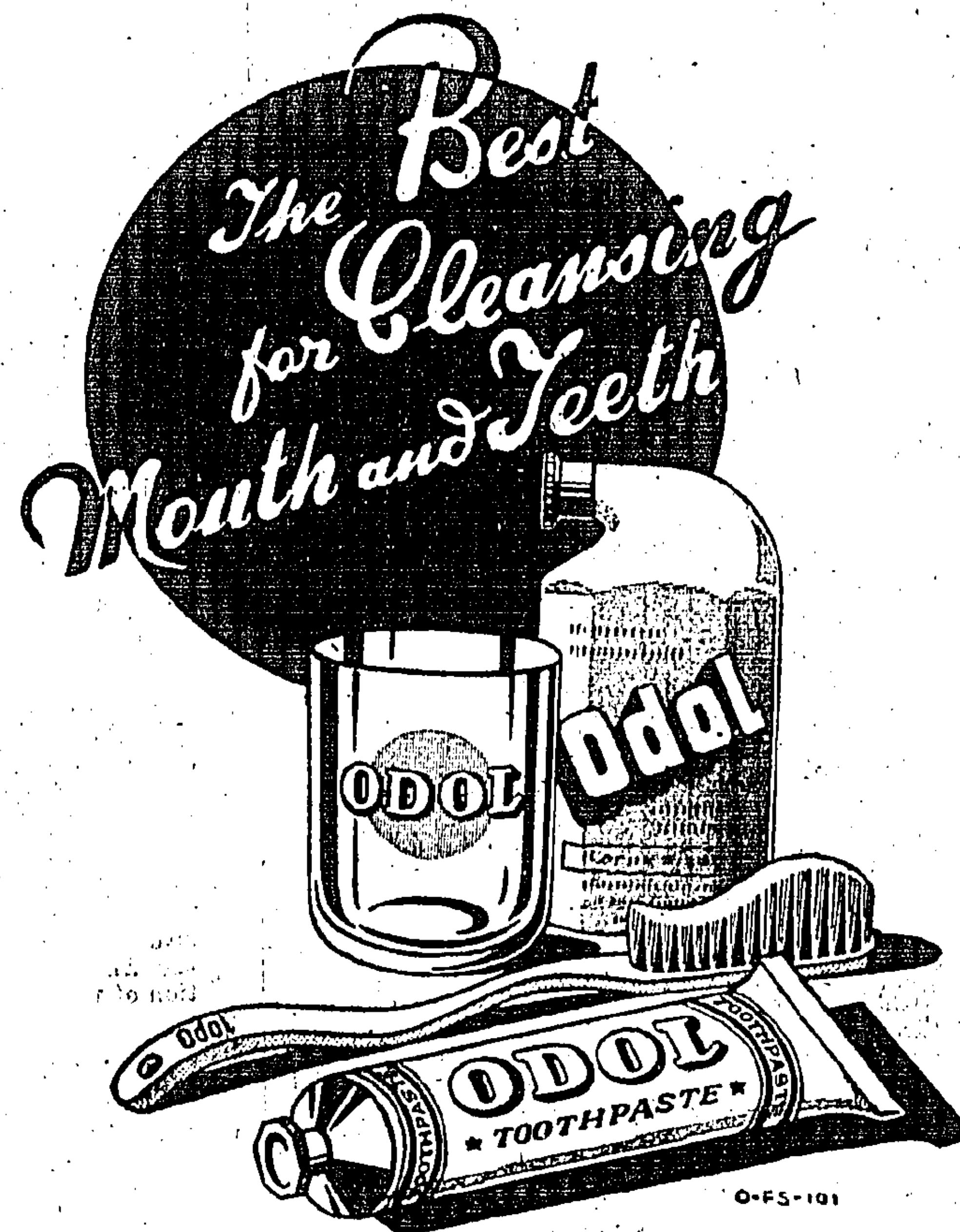
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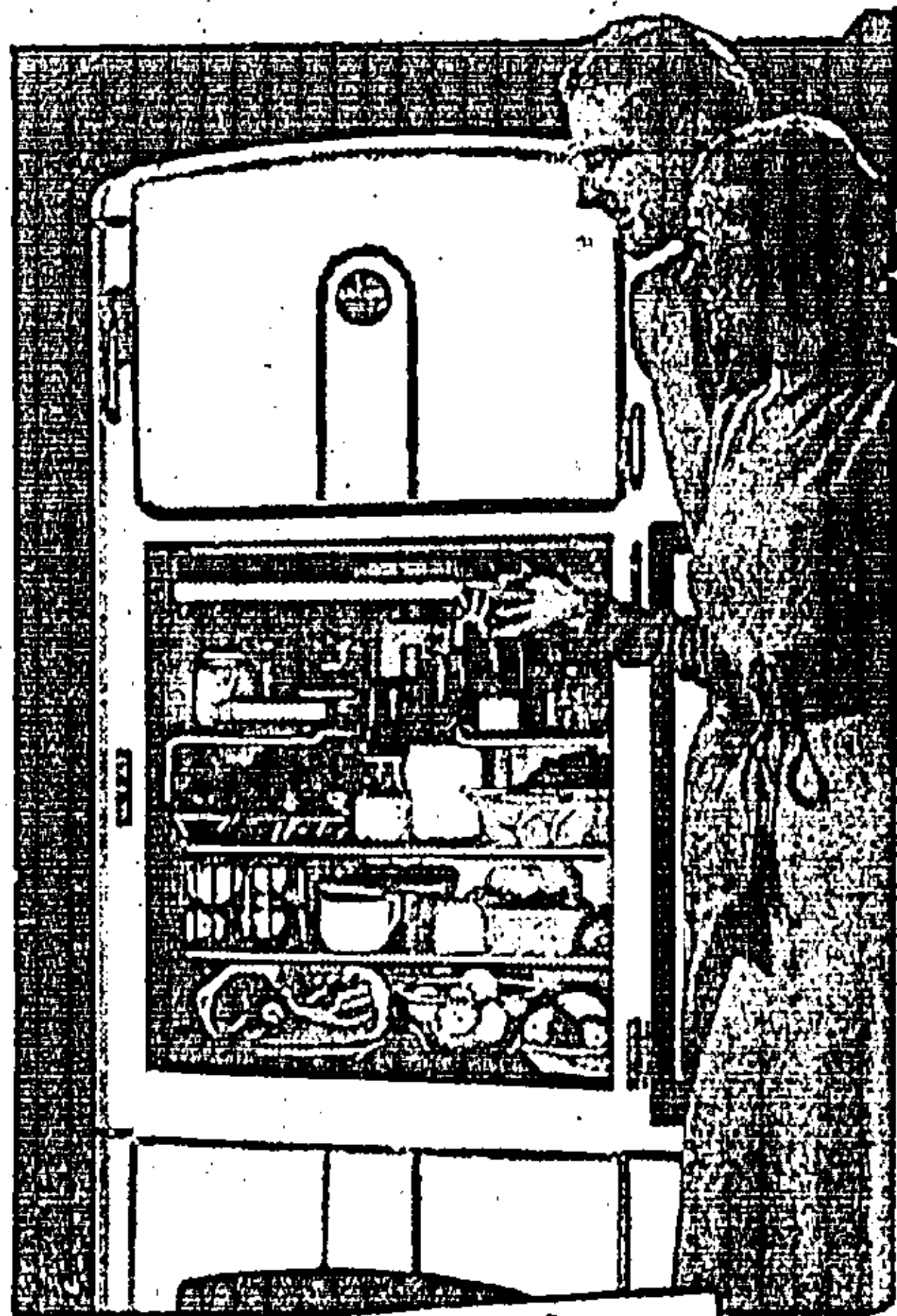
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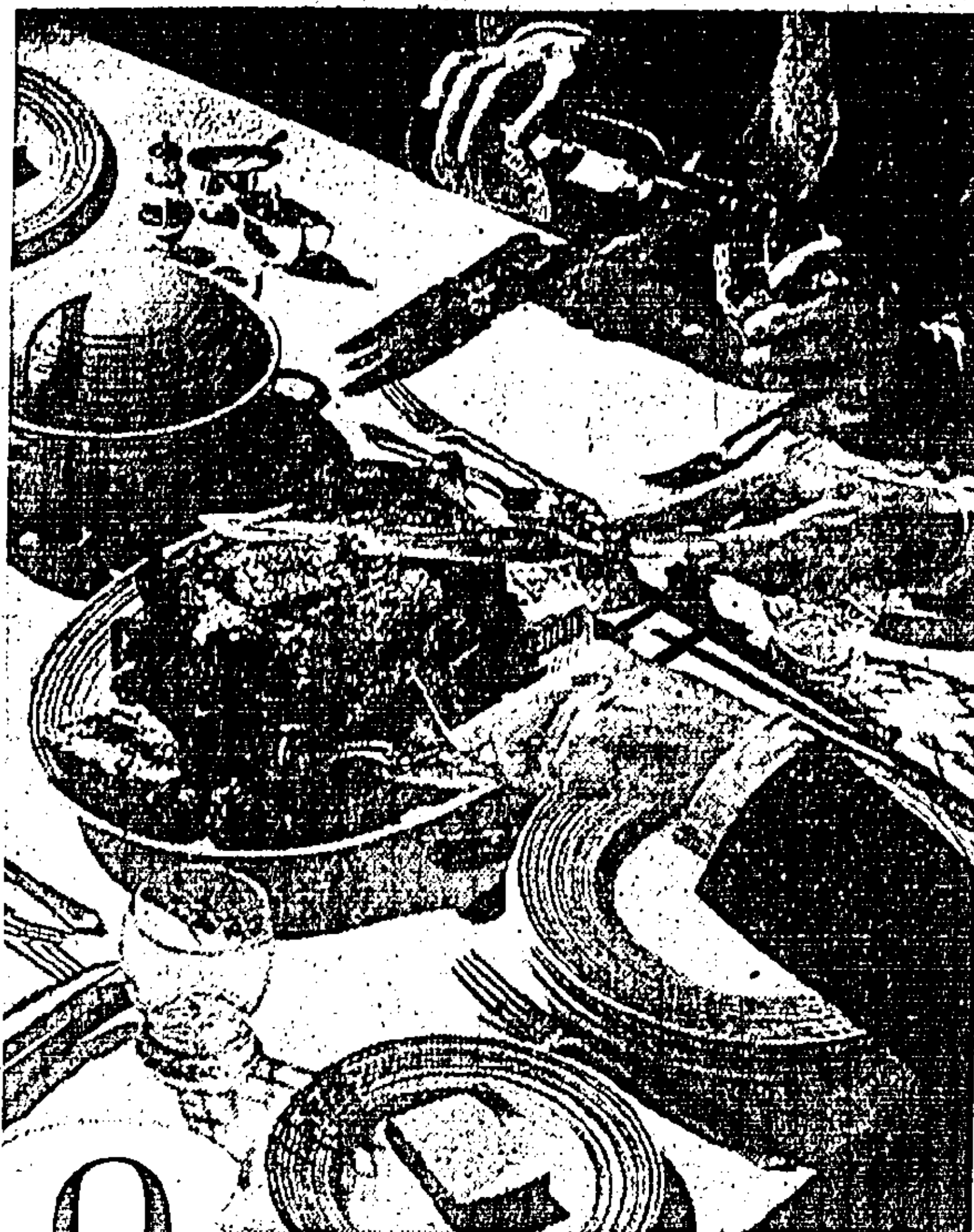
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HITLER'S SPEECH

THE outstandingly brilliant dialectical skill which the world freely concedes to Herr Hitler has seldom been more cleverly exploited. In a debating society, President Roosevelt would have been devastatingly laughed out of countenance. Academically, it was a remarkable achievement, concealing animosity beneath an outward calm, building up more astutely than usual with specious argument the facade of injured innocence.

The world's interest, however, is not in dialectics. The issues at stake are too grave. What was sought from the German Fuehrer was a simple answer to a simple question, Are we to continue under constant threat of Axis aggression or can the difficulties besetting the world be discussed in an atmosphere of co-operation for the common good? Is it to be peace or war?

When the answer is extracted from Hitler's verbal pyrotechnics, it offers scarcely a note of encouragement.

Hitler may be allowed his jeers. If he speaks as a man with his head in the clouds, Austria, Munich, Czecho-Slovakia, Memel have helped to put it there. Scathing terms were applied to Versailles and international politics of the past which were not altogether unwarranted.

What destroyed belief in his protestations, dispelled the values of any conciliatory passages, was the basis from which Herr Hitler started, complete rejection of the idea that anything that Germany has done, or intends to do, warrants the moral censure of the world at large, refusal to admit that any of Germany's actions has contributed to international tension.

Hitler added to this incomprehensible stand (for a self-styled realist) two definite acts, which if they do not worsen the situation can hardly improve it. One was denunciation of the Anglo-German Naval Agreement and the other abrogation of the Non-Aggression Treaty with Poland.

The real substance of the speech must be sought in the meaning of these steps, plus the references to France and the United States.

To France, he reiterated that the Saar constituted the last claim of Germany upon France. Never a word did he utter concerning Italian claims upon France, which he is committed militarily to support.

To the United States, he bluntly insisted that European affairs were none of her business, although admitting that international friction anywhere must affect the world at large.

To Britain and Poland, he offered reconsideration of the treaties now denounced, on Germany's terms.

In short, Herr Hitler was again demanding for the Greater Reich absolute freedom of action in settling the future course of Central and South-East Europe. Never was "Mein Kampf" more clearly defined as the repository of National Socialist policy. Never will Hitler go into a conference chamber to discuss where that programme must lead.

Anyone who believes that Hitler is doing other than mark time and finds in the speech a door open to reasonable relationships with a choice of two policies, acquiescence or resistance.

Herr Hitler's speech is dealt with editorially. Its importance, relative to the international crisis, disappeared at the moment of its completion, for it changed nothing for the better. Partially, and Parliament's approval acceptance of the Roosevelt invitation would have served the cause of peace. As Hitler decried his determination to settle affairs in his own way, he merely confirmed the most lugubrious forebodings, and international tensions, unless Hitler's actions belie his words, must grow.

Immediate effect in Bucharest

was to speed up arrangements for closer co-operation with Poland, and for creation of a stronger Balkan Entente. For Hitler had made great play in his speech with Poland's rejection of Germany's terms for settlement of the Danzig and Corridor questions. Poland doubtless had borne in mind Herr Hitler's printed words: "The more extortions accepted, the more unjustified does it seem to a people finally to set about defending themselves against some new, apparently isolated, although really constantly recurring, oppression."

Creation of the anti-aggression front proceeded with some-what depressing slowness, a consequence primarily of Polish and Rumanian objections to undertakings involving Soviet Russia. In the meantime, the Nazi press exultantly declares that nothing is coming of Britain's efforts. M. Gafencu, nevertheless, escaped unscathed from Berlin, and valuable talks were held both in London and Paris. The journey of M. Potemkin from Moscow to Ankara, via Sofia, may prove the decisive factor, and it is no small encouragement that M. Maisky was able to disclose that the Soviet is in full agreement in principle; it is the details which are prolonging the discussions.

Britain did not wait upon Herr Hitler before getting in her gesture. On Tuesday night, the

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Cabinet decided to introduce modified conscription immediately, and Parliament's approval was obtained on Thursday following a debate which found the Labour Party hidebound to tradition, and most of the differences removed between what might be termed the Chamberlain group and the Eden group of the Conservative Party. For the moment, only youths of 20 are affected, but the call can be extended at any time, and strong pressure on the Government is already foreshadowed. The political crisis which it seemed possible, at one time, might develop, may be regarded as most unlikely. What justice there was in Mr. Attlee's grievances and fears are not sufficient to vital to compel the Labour Party to political hara-kiri.

What inspired the Premier to hasten the conscription legislation remained a Downing Street secret. It was sufficient to check Mr. de Valera when about to embark for New York. The Canadian trip of Their Majesties the King and Queen is to be carried out as arranged, except that the Empress of Australia will convey them across the Atlantic and not H.M.S. Repulse. One guess is as good as another, but Mr. Chamberlain contradicted beliefs that he had obtained an advance copy of the Hitler speech. Yugo-Slavia's flirtations with grimly pressing suitors in Rome and Berlin did not please Paris or London, though it was noted that no "marriage licence" was signed; and the anti-Comintern Pact as yet lacks another partner.

The Budget presented by Sir John Simon showed just as clearly as the conscription measure, that Britain's new policy does not count the cost. The defence appropriation was swollen because, contrary to the £330,000,000, or £50,000,000 more than the original estimate, due to the increase in Territorial Army establishment. To meet the new Bills, £26,000,000

is to be provided by loan and the rest by additional taxation. Motorists, taxpayers, smokers, bear the brunt. No change was made in the basic rate of income tax: it is only 6d. less than its maximum during the Great War. The total Budget involves an expenditure of nearly four million pounds a day, of which two millions daily will be spent on armaments. On the whole, it was felt that Sir John Simon had done a difficult job reasonably well, but Mr. Neville Chamberlain's promise on Thursday that arms profiteering will be more closely investigated will help to sweeten the pill.

Hitler's inability to announce that the anti-Comintern Pact had been converted into a military alliance, it has emerged clearly, was a distinctive feat of American diplomacy. Transfer of the American fleet to Pacific waters, the determining factor, has been practically completed. And Tokyo, after hours of deliberations, retains a free hand, and an opportunity to consider the further Washington move, inspired by Senator Key Pittman, which seeks to empower the President at ten days' notice, to impose an embargo on all exports to Japan, except agricultural products. A special additional duty on all German goods of 25 per cent, which is tantamount to shutting German goods out of the American market, provided further demonstration to the totalitarians that the United States possesses weapons of greater potential value than State Department typewriters.

A week of encouragement, rather than the contrary, despite Hitler. The principles on which the Democracies stand were already clear. Now it is seen, beyond possibility of error, that they are not prepared to sacrifice them without a struggle. If war should come, it will be because, contrary to the Hitler thesis, the abandonment of liberty is not the internal problem of a juggernaut power.

SCRUTATOR

Battle Of Ideas: by May Middlemass She Fights On The Home Front

ONE Friday over six years ago I came home from school, little thinking that my schooldays were finished, and that on the Monday following I would not return as usual to my beloved studies and companions.

My mother, who had been in bad health for a long period, died in hospital, and the following day, at the age of 14, I stepped bewilderedly into the post of housekeeper to the family, with all the ensuing duties and troubles which are the lot of the women in working-class homes.

I did not like housework and never had, although I had done what I could to ease my mother's burden at home, and for a long time could not settle down. I felt I had been treated unfairly. That owing to my sex, and no other reason, I had been forced into work, for which I had no liking, without any regard whatsoever to my capabilities, or hopes for other work or profession, but I realised the blame for this was attached not to my family, who were good to me, and had no option, but to the system in which we lived and were part of.

I had always been well cared for by my mother, having had all the opportunities for sports and culture required by a bright and healthy schoolgirl bestowed upon me, but soon at this early age I tasted deeply of the hardships and worries which had been part of everyday life for my mother. I realised the tremendous price at which these opportunities given to my brothers and myself, had been bought.

After I had been at home for a year, my father became of retiring age and I had then to keep house on his small pension plus the meagre wages of the two boys—my really tiny, as there is not sufficient and, in their late teens, that come to pay wages, and we must make do with a meagre clothing and feeding four all cram our overflowing belongings things, by most of all the last.

Now the boys are grown up and making better wages, we have tried in vain to get the tenancy of a better house. It seems almost impossible! The sanitary inspector says we are not overcrowded and will not allow us into a new house unless we can show a health certificate or the proof of residence of one of us in a sanatorium. As I am naturally a sturdy girl, cough refuses to do more than lose me hours of sleep and make me very susceptible to colds—as yet I have tried hard to make a home for my family and myself during these years, both good and bad, but I can make nothing more of our present residence—my work-shop. I got so sick of it! It is never a home, and I am a young Socialist, a democrat in their late teens, that come to pay wages, and we must make do with a meagre clothing and feeding four all cram our overflowing belongings things, by most of all the last.

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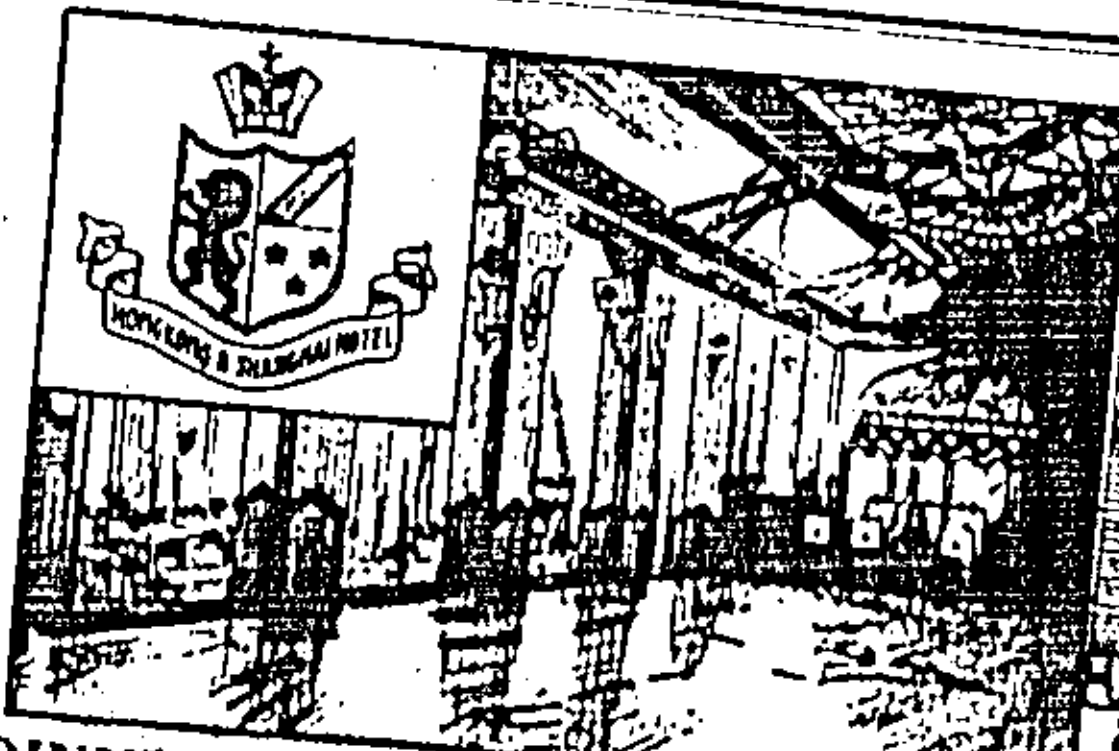
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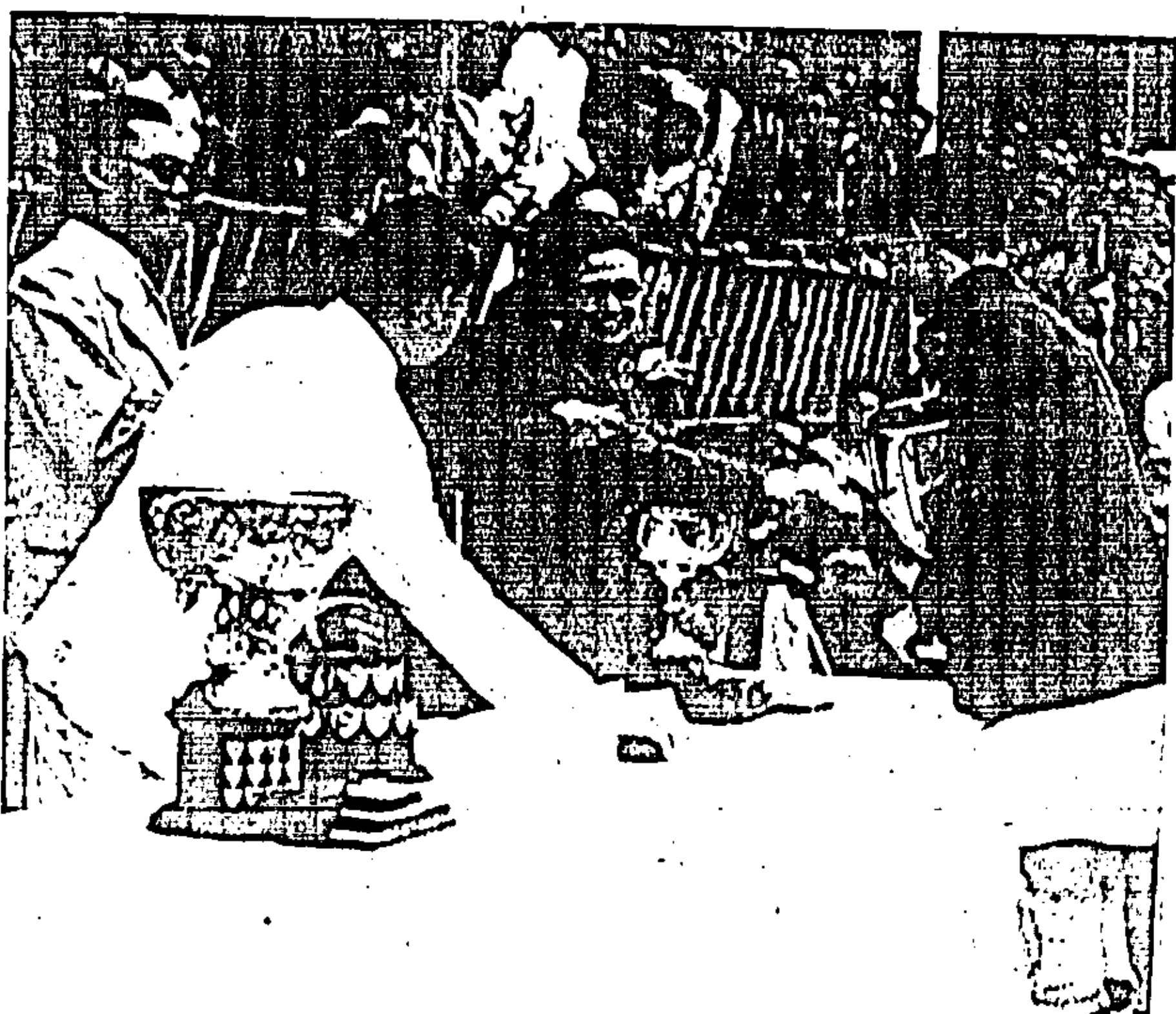


S. A. Rumjahn (left) and Taul Wai-piu photographed shortly before their semi-final match in the Open Singles Tennis Tourney last Tuesday, while resulted in Taul's win in four sets.



W. Pryde (C.B.S.) and Sarwar Khan (Q.C.) winners in the Inter-School 1,500 Metres preliminary race held at Caroline Hill last Tuesday.

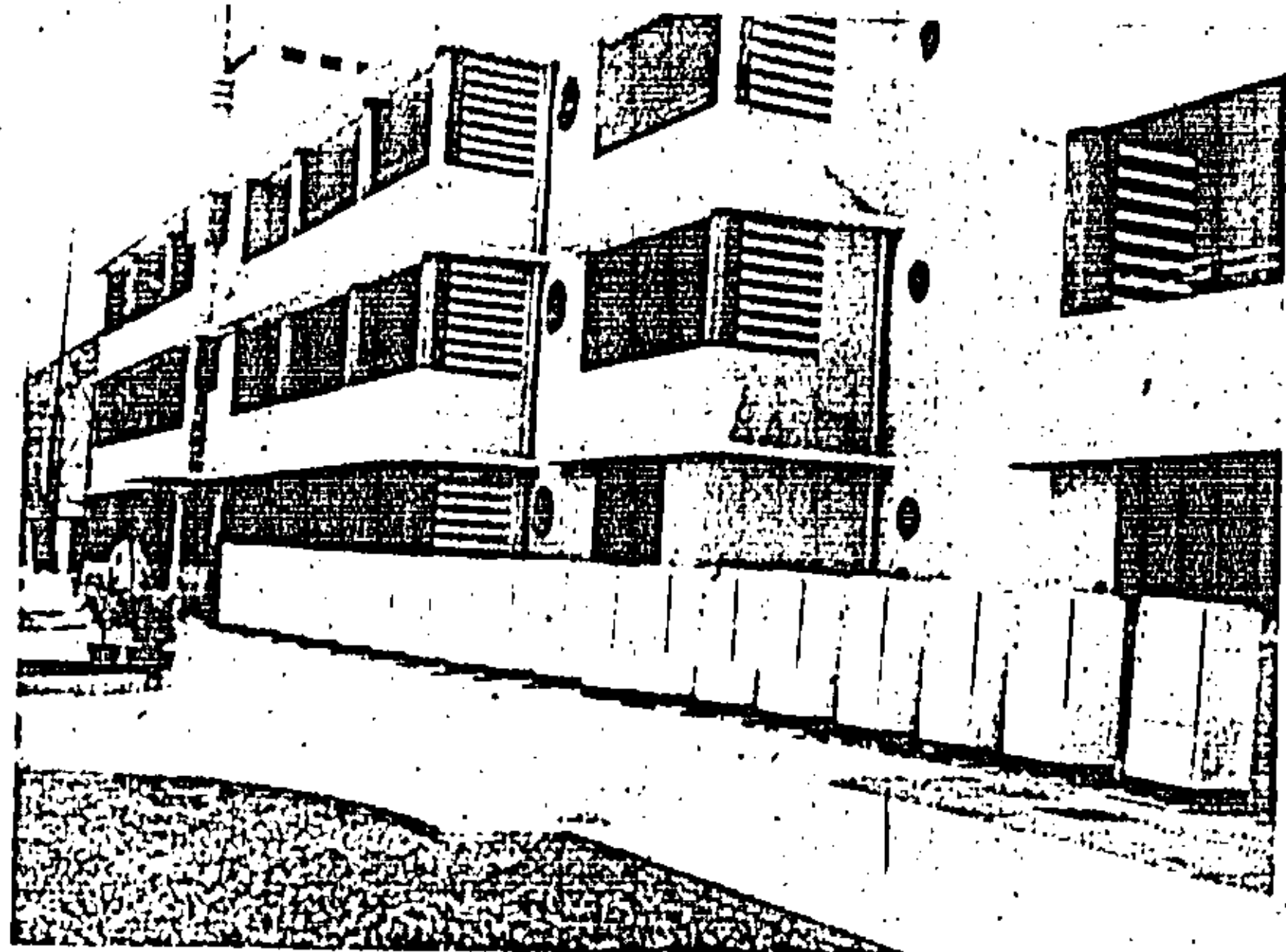
The victory qualified them for the finals.



Mrs. M. K. Lo, wife of the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Vice-President of the Hong Kong Football Association, presenting the trophy to the captain of the South China "A" football team, who defeated the Interport soccer team by 4 goals to 3, in last Sunday's game at Caroline Hill.



Ronald Castro (L.S.C.), Albert Leonard (S.J.C.) and Robert Castro (L.S.C.), who qualified for the finals of the 200 metres event, in the preliminary inter-school athletic heats run at Caroline Hill last Tuesday.



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THE WEEK'S PHOTOGRAPHY

By "Shutter"

THE submission by a reader this week of some original prints and enlargements of them has brought up the question of trimming negatives once pictures are made. In this particular case, the amateur feels that the results are not what they should be and they are not what he had in mind. Perhaps the fact that he rose before dawn to get them has something to do with his dissatisfaction. Personally, if I did that sort of thing I would be rather anxious for good results myself. However, I consider this question is more concerned with photography as a hobby than anything else.

Exposing films and leaving the processing to another tends to take much of the fun and fascination out of photography. As someone once said, it is like climbing a high mountain and then sending someone else up to look at the view. I know that many of us, for a variety of reasons, never get beyond the first stage, but there will be no regrets once a start is made by doing our own developing and enlarging. Reverting to the

prints under discussion I do think quite a good job has been made. I have always found the local dealers pretty competent, and it sometimes the results are not what is desired, do not forget that it is not always possible for the dealer or processor to gather what you had in mind when you took the picture.

Regarding Fig. (1), (the original), this is an attractive study although it is a pity that the horizon line should be almost in the middle. Fig. (2) shows the enlargement and it will be noted that the print has been trimmed from the top leaving the main subjects just above the centre of the picture. I think the impression of full-light is very well conveyed in the finished job and, even without seeing an alternative enlargement showing more of the sky and less of the foreground, it is the more satisfactory arrangement.

In the second print, Fig. (3), I think that it was taken too late. I rather imagine that it was hoped to create a good record of strong sunlight breaking through the clouds, but it required correction in order to bring this out, as will be seen in the enlargement, Fig. (4). As the original stands there is very little of interest in this print. It would have been a help perhaps had the vessel not been so close to the right hand side, but I am convinced that the finished

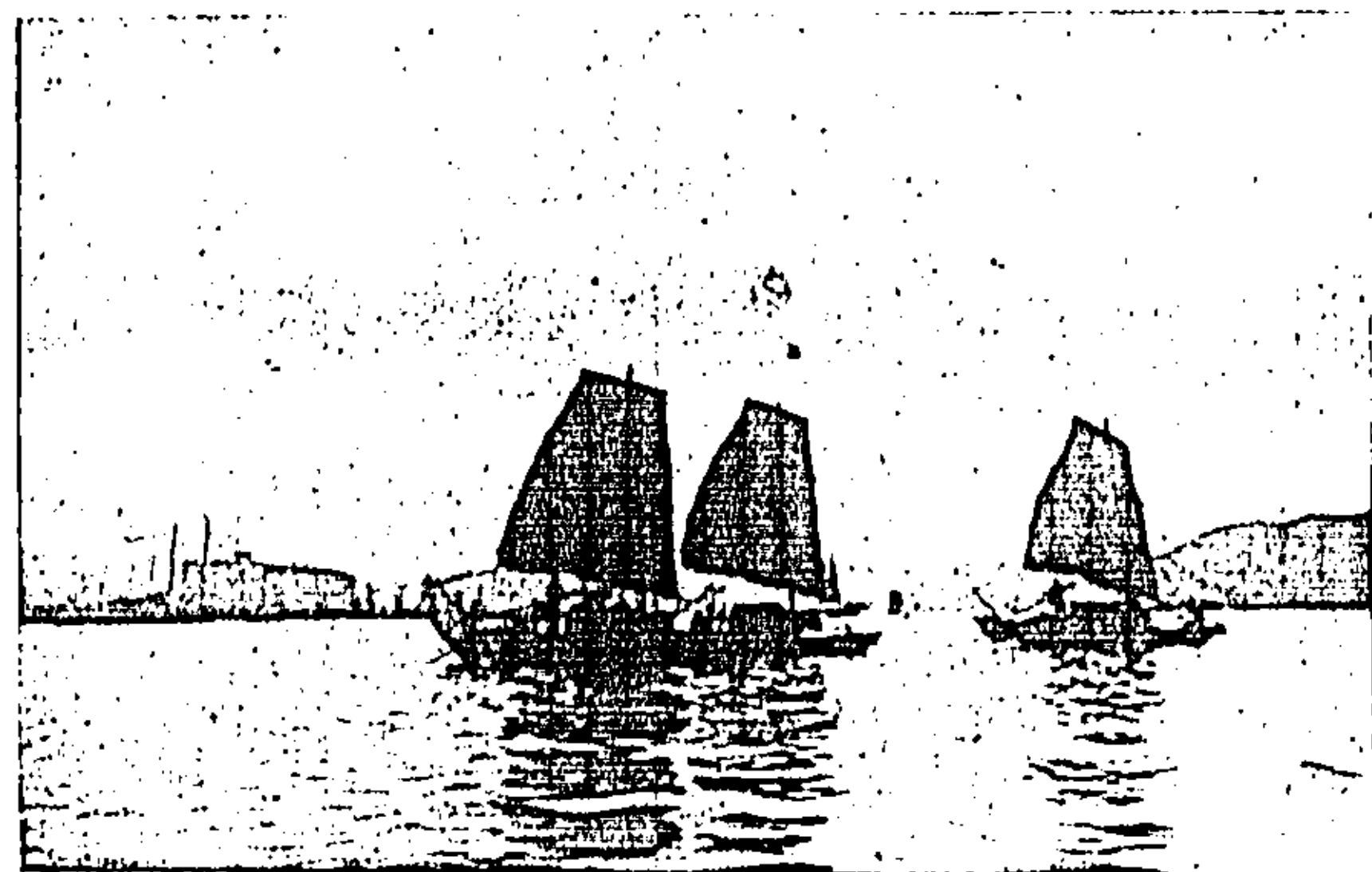


Fig. 1.

enlargement shows a maximum of the original is capable of producing.

It may interest readers to know that both prints were taken from a moving boat in the harbour between the hour of 5.45 a.m. and 6.30 a.m. The stop used for each was 15.6 and exposing times varied between 1/10 and 1/25th seconds.

I would like to thank Mr. K. B. Loo for two interesting efforts. These will be published very shortly.

Appropos my notes last week on Sporting Photography, a reader writes for more definite information regarding the slowest shutter speed that will stop movement in a person walking. As I said last week the question of stopping motion is dependent on several factors. The more rapidly the subject is moving the shorter the exposure must be.

The longer the focal length of the lens, the larger the image, and the further it moves across the film in a given time; and the nearer the camera to the object the larger the image, etc. The angle at which an object is moving with respect to the lens is also an important point to consider. For example, when using a camera with a 5" lens and photographing a person walking 5 miles per hour 25 yards from the camera and at right angles to it, 1/60 second would be necessary to stop motion. If the subject, however, is moving to or from, at an angle of 45 deg. a speed of 1/40 second suffices and if the subject is twice as far from the camera (50 yds.) and moving at right angles to it (across the field of the film) a shutter speed of 1/30 second will be fast enough. When using lens of half the above focal length (or a 2½" lens) the speeds given can be doubled to give the same effect.

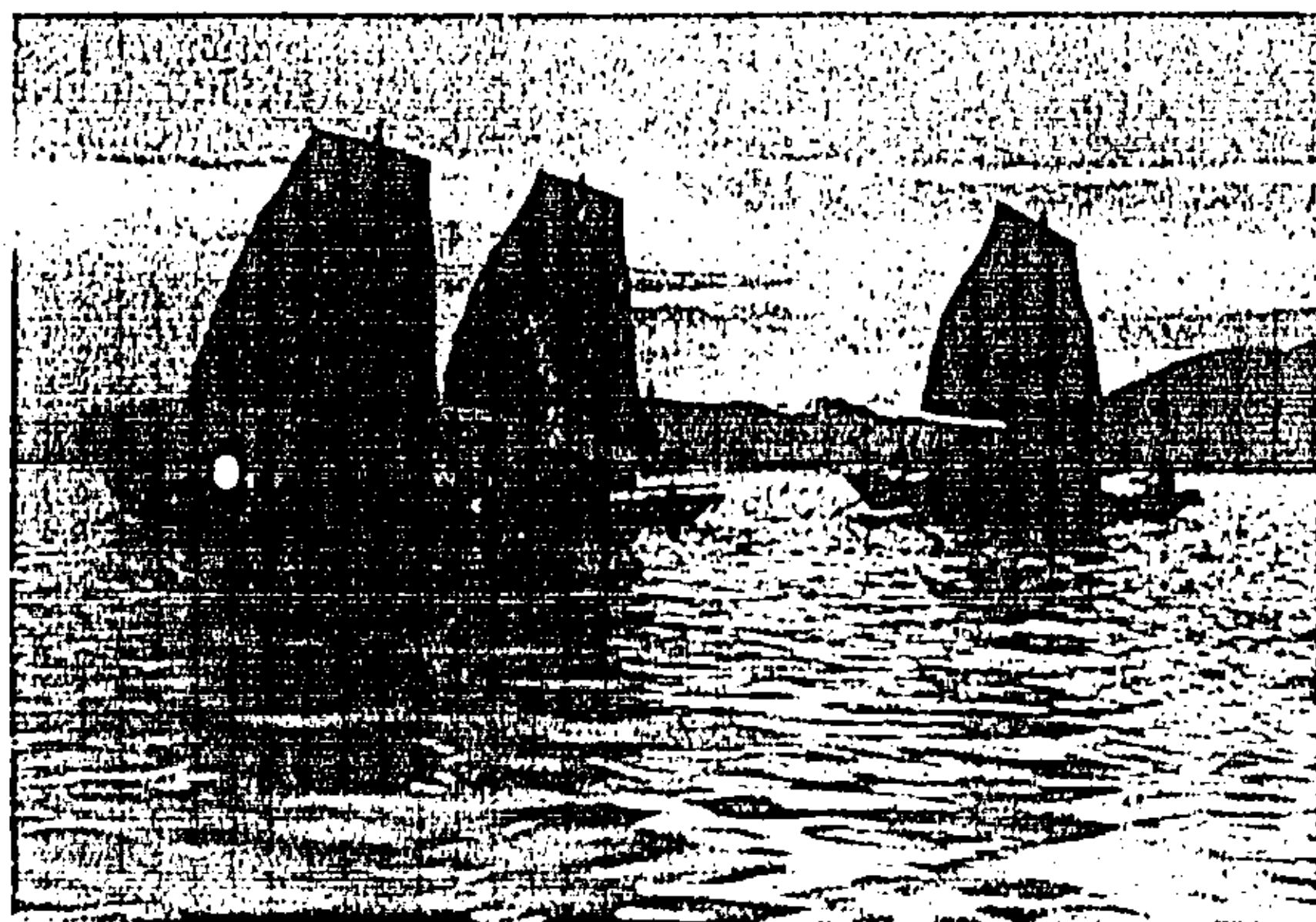


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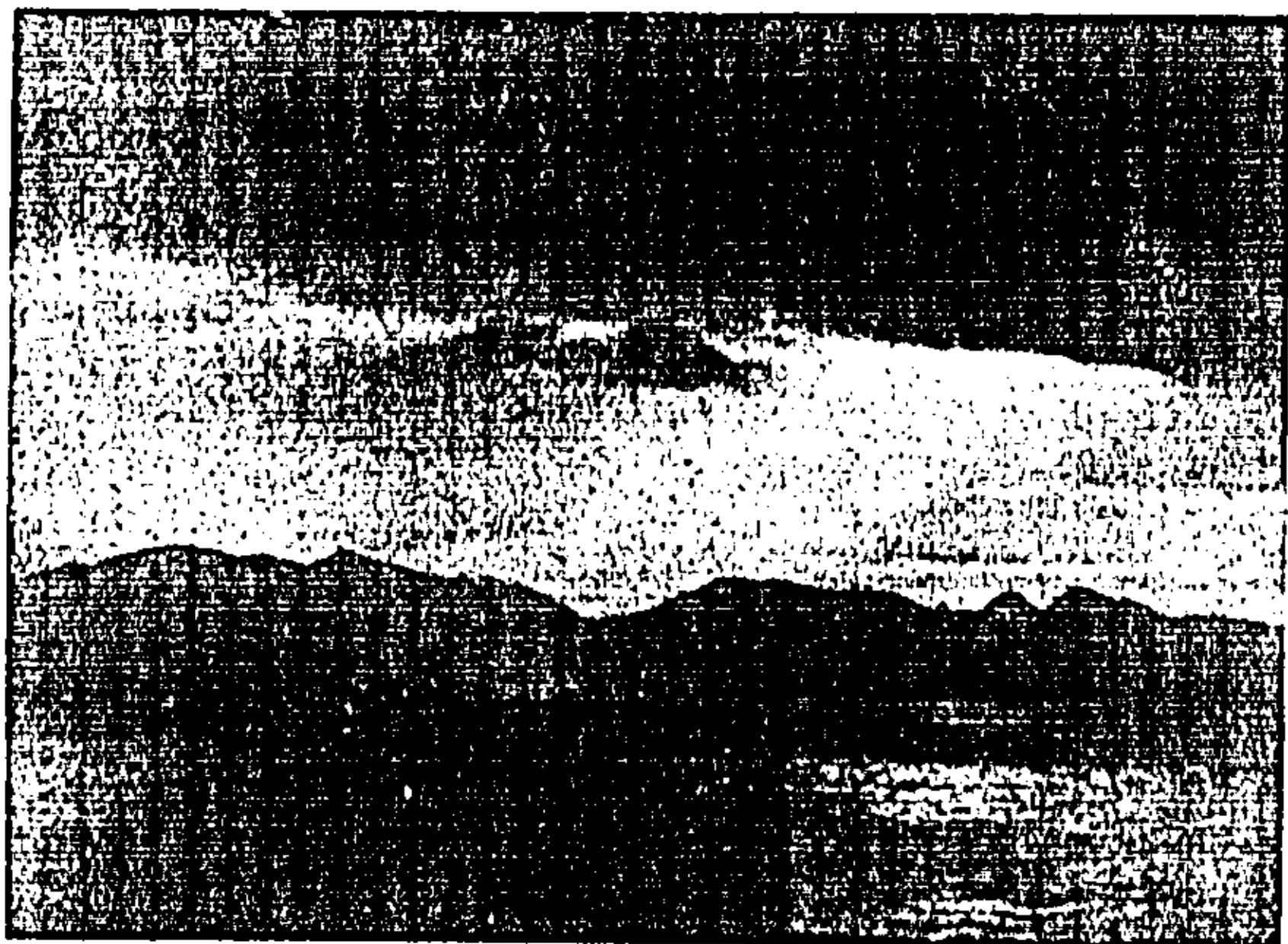
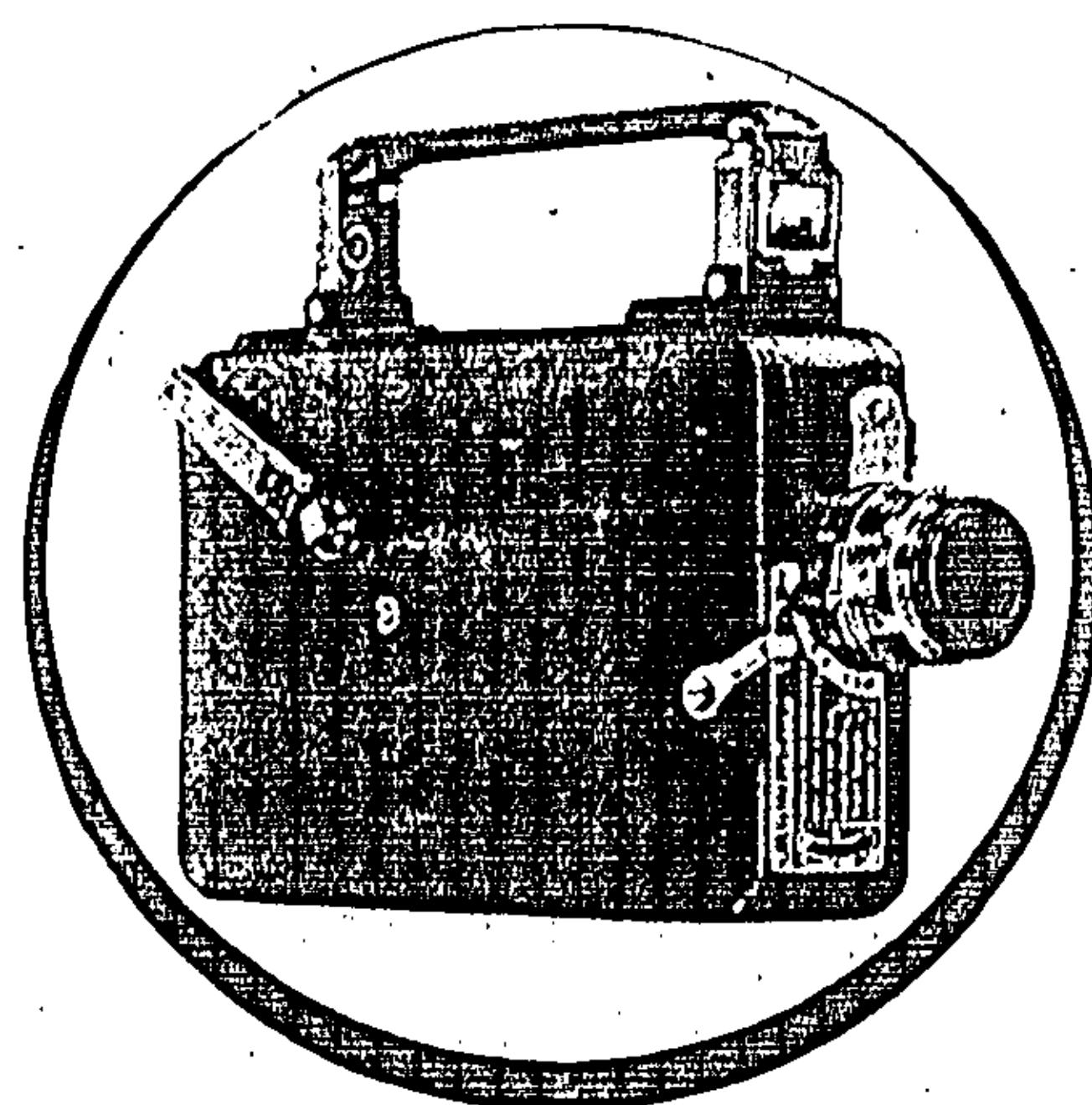


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Perfume To Suit Your Personality

The storybook heroine is often remembered by a lingering fragrance — a perfume expressing her personality. And this blase old world likes nothing better than romance.

RECENTLY in a department store, I overheard a customer asking for perfume. She was asked if there were any kind she preferred and she replied by inquiring what was new. The salesgirl showed her several perfumes which were considered smart and new. The customer finally chose one, apparently because its name and attractive little bottle were particularly irresistible, for the stopper was sealed so that she did not even get a whiff of the odour. Now there was every chance in the world that that perfume was unsuitable for her type, but she went off with her treasure, perfectly content in the knowledge that she had something "smart and new."

Many women buy perfume in just this way. Perhaps a woman is given a bottle of perfume for Christmas and, although the perfume has a heavy, Oriental scent and she is a delicate blonde, she continues to use that perfume for no other reason than that she has become used to it.

In other cases, a woman will show downright bad taste in the type of perfume she uses. She will choose one that is far too strong and that no discriminating woman would use. She may think that the odour will last longer than a fainter perfume, but this is erroneous. Some of the finest French perfumes that are as delicate as a breath of spring, are noted for their lasting qualities.

Women seldom take into consideration their type and personality when choosing a perfume, and in this way they miss the ultimate purpose of perfume. For, after all, is not perfume supposed to express our personality? Are we not remembered by a lingering, characteristic fragrance? In romantic stories, at least, this is always true of the heroine's perfumes. And in reality there is nothing that this blase old world likes better than romance.

Often a woman will have difficulty in finding a perfume that is suitable. This is not strange, for there are no two people alike and think what a fabulous number of different perfumes there would have to be to suit all the women in the world! So to overcome this difficulty, a worthy vogue of taking two or more perfumes and blending them has been instituted.

Before taking up this post-graduate side of perfume, there are a few elementary rules that may seem obvious, but that all too few women follow. In the first place, there are three general classes of perfumes: the heavy Oriental type that has a musk or sandalwood base; the floral type, like lilac, lily of the valley, etc.; and the bouquet odours that are light and are composed of several flower essences carefully blended. Perfumes are subject also to seasons. In the winter heavier perfumes are suitable, and in the summer the lighter odours. For spring, fresh flower perfumes are the correct choice, and for fall sharp, spicy odours are appropriate.

The following are some general rules for the average woman to

follow; brunettes should use an Oriental perfume — something with musk or sandalwood to lend a touch of mystery. Delicate flower and bouquet odour are suitable for a blonde to use. The in-between type is best suited by a perfume that is elusive. Perhaps it is a fragrant bouquet odour with a drop or two of musk or amber in it, to give it that slightly different, subtle quality. The out-of-doors athletic type, on the other hand, usually finds something fresh and spicy more to her taste.

But the woman who wants an individual, exclusively-her-own perfume, must blend perfumes. It's a simple art if one follows a few suggestions. To blend well, perfumes must have a similarity of base. That is to say, a strong Oriental scent will clash with a delicate bouquet perfume. A bouquet odour seasoned with jasmine will make a charming blend. A sweet flower essence will take on a more interesting and subtle quality if an infinitesimal bit of amber is added. Usually the blending of two perfumes is sufficient to make a perfect, individual scent, but there is practically no limit to the number that may be blended—so long as they do not differ too utterly in base and type.

When choosing a perfume, or several which are to be blended, keep in mind your colouring and personality and also your natural preference in scents. It is all very well to get a perfume that your friends think suits you perfectly, but you must be pleased as well or your choice can hardly be considered a success.

When you finally find a perfume that does suit you, stick to it by all means for there is nothing more distinctive than a perfume that suits your own personality. That is where the advantage of a blending of perfumes comes in, for in this you have something that is wafted back as you leave a room, a fragrance that is remembered and associated with you.

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Gift perfumes that do not appeal to you much can be used in many ways. You can add a few drops to your bath water when you are spending a leisurely evening at home, or when the scent will not clash with another perfume on the clothes you wear. Use them in the water when you rinse your lingerie or wash your hair. Put a few drops on your light bulbs to fill the room with an incense-like fragrance before you have a party. Some perfumes work like magic to counteract the odour of cigarette smoke.

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The right length is equally important. For the most part stockings come in three lengths: short, medium, long. They are measured, before being worn, from the top hem to the seam underneath the heel. After you have found a comfortable length always ask for it so that it isn't necessary to adjust garters.

The right widths through the hem and across the ankle are essential, too, for both comfort and appearance. There are unscrupulous manufacturers who stretch and press a too-small

For top-to-toe beauty and durability, buy good stockings in the right size and appropriate weights and styles—and give them tender care. Here's how.

stocking to make it look the average width. As a result the stocking is very apt to break out when the knee is bent because there isn't enough silk used to make it elastic. To test the width, stretch the hem. It should stretch to eleven and one-half to twelve inches. Then stretch the hose from the heel to the front of the ankle. This distance should be from six to seven inches. A stocking that is well styled and has been knit to fit gives one "that trim feeling around the ankles."

Not all weights of hose are expected to give the same service. Some years ago seven-thread hose were best sellers, for they gave good service, the reason being that seven filaments of silk had been twisted to make a single

thread. Style has changed that and now sheer three-thread hose are popular for "best."

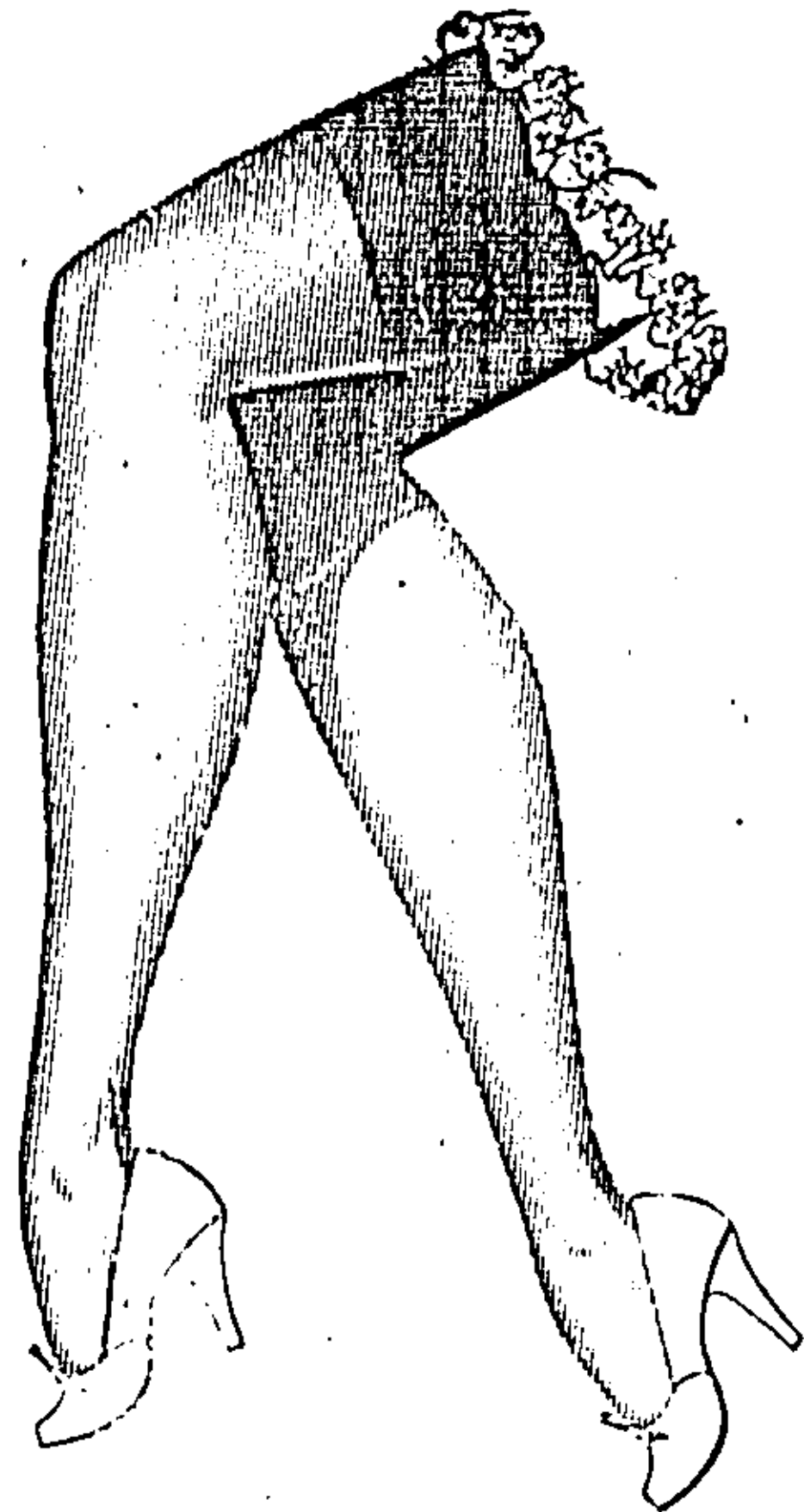
When the silk filaments have been twisted an extra number of times the stockings have a sheer, dull appearance. They are flattering and make the legs look more slender," says one user. They also seem to be snag resistant.

From top to toe, there are special features which make for longer wear and greater satisfaction. The term "full-fashioned," meaning a hose which has been knit flat and then sewed up, has become generally familiar. To check, see that the seam is continuous down the back of the leg and under the sole of the foot. There will be "fashion marks" down the calf of the leg where stitches have been dropped to make a better fit.

The welt, which is the double hem at the top, is a guard against runs caused by garters. As a further protection, the area just below the hem is made heavier with an extra thread, or a special stitch acts as a safeguard.

The area in the back of the heel and toe is usually reinforced with an extra thread. If it isn't easily visible, hold the stocking up to the light to make sure it is there. The "cradle" foot further protects against wear by extending well over the sides of the foot, yet not being visible with low cut shoes.

Shoes are often great offenders against hose. Rough, worn spots in the lining, a nail in the heel, or a heel that slips are conditions that can be remedied. When wear first appears in the form of a thin spot is the time to bring out the darning silk. Then with a single



strand, weave carefully in and out and the mend will never be seen. When a hole does appear, good old-fashioned basket-weave darning will have many a pair for longer wear. Run the stitches well to each side.

Washing hosiery after each wearing is imperative. "Use the same kind of soap to make a sud" that you would use for baby's bath. Then rinse them thoroughly, squeeze out wring, and lay them where they can dry away from heat." Such is the advice of a hosiery expert. He went on to say further that "elasticity is the life-bent of a stocking." If it is washed and dried under too hot conditions, the elasticity will be destroyed and runs will start easily.

Buying two pairs of hose is good common sense for when one of each pair is no longer wearable, the odd ones can be matched up. As a final word of advice—it pays to buy good hose.

Romance Of May I Introduce? The Almonds Rules To Remember

(By Victor S. Mamak)

THROUGH the ages, the Almond Blossom has been a symbol of Beauty—and the almond one of the chief ingredients of cherished beauty secrets.

The tombs of Egypt reveal unguents made with almond oil, showing clearly that even 5,000 years ago it was one of the most respected and cherished possessions of ancient Egyptian royalty. And with good reason too, for the climate of Egypt exacted a heavy beauty toll of those who did not use such preparations. All through history, almonds have been used by royal and aristocratic society as one of the finest beauty aids known.

Cleopatra found its oil indispensable in the hot climate of Egypt. Helen of Troy used its meal as a cleanser. La Montespan used it as a Beautifier to preserve the satin texture of her skin.

Many know the value of almond oil, but few know that almond meal is equally effective as an aid to beauty. During the early history of America, many rare beauty formulas containing both almond oil and almond meal were used by the women of the Colonial era, and even to this day, a number of those original formulas are still in use, with but little change. According to an early one (introduced into Colonial America from the Courts of France), crushed almonds and butter milk were mixed to make a cleansing beauty wash or pack. To-day, this formula has been modernised to contain powdered almond meal, dehydrated butter milk and other beneficial elements, and in order to indulge in a luxurious cleansing and reconditioning facial, you simply mix the powdered beauty wash with water or milk and apply. Then, close your eyes and let the wings of imagination carry you back through time, for you are enjoying a beauty luxury such as may have indulged the fancy of a Pompadour, a Helen of Troy, or a Cleopatra.

IT has always seemed to me a pity that little girls in the nursery don't begin by introducing the Golliwogs to the Teddy Bears and thus learn the whole art of introducing without tears. Awkward moments may occur occasionally to everyone, but there are certain rules that should be learned by heart. First and foremost, remember that a man is introduced to a woman: "Mrs. Brown, may I introduce Mr. Fittsnozzle?" "Miss Smith, this is Captain Tigerskin, who has just returned from India," etc.

The only exception to this rule is that a young girl would be introduced to a very important elderly man.

One curious mistake some women persist in making is that of rising from their seats when a man is introduced. Stay put, and smile agreeably.

The rules are quite simple:

One always introduces: a man to a woman, a younger person to an older one, a single person to a group, an unmarried woman to a married one.

A man rises when he is introduced to anyone. A woman rises when she is introduced to an older woman. Children rise for all introductions.

It is not considered right to make introductions in the street unless there is some special reason for it. The odd-friend-put should walk slowly on and not hover about to be introduced.

It is correct to mention the surname when it is different from your own: "Mrs. Jeffreys, do you know my sister Mary?" or "Mrs. Jeffreys, do you know my sister, Mrs. Pargetter?"

There is no fixed rule about shaking hands or merely bowing when an introduction is made. Some people do one thing, some another. However, it is trying for both parties when one of them first sticks out a hand and then withdraws it. Have at least the courage of your convictions and take a strong stand one way or the other!

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AFTER thirty years of public speaking I have at last heard myself talk, and it was a shock to me.

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In order that a radio sponsor who was interested might hear a sample of my broadcasting voice, it was necessary that a record be made. I spoke into the microphone for about four minutes. Such is the marvel of modern mechanics that I had hardly finished when a strange voice from a loud-speaker in the room suddenly began repeating what I had said.

My first impression was that someone was mocking me. Then it suddenly dawned upon me that I was actually hearing myself just as others hear me. I simply had not recognised my own voice!

The experience was disconcerting, but profitable. I had no idea that I sounded so stern and pompous.

The fact that my voice sounded differently to others than it did to me made me wonder about how my appearance and actions seemed to others. I became suddenly critical of myself—self-conscious in a way. I looked at my reflection in a full-length mirror and realised that there were several things which could be done to improve my appearance.

Self-recognition is one of the most important elements of a human personality.

If you do not know yourself, how can you expect to succeed in life? If the image you have in your own mind of how you look and act is quite different from the actual appearance of yourself to others, you are working at a great disadvantage.

Perhaps you have frequently wondered why people do not appreciate you. Thinking you appear as noble to them as you do to yourself, you begin to feel as if there were a conspiracy against you, for certainly such a fine fellow as you are should be appreciated at your proper worth.

If that notion gets firmly fixed in your mind, it is likely to ruin your whole life. What you think you are and what you really are, are often so far apart that a sense of confusion results and the whole world seems cockeyed! Until a person can learn to objectify himself—that is, to look at himself from outside, as at another person—he is working blindly in the business of living.

It is hard, however, to get outside yourself. Life is like a game of checkers, where you are the player, and often the opponent, and the victory, or the defeat, it all takes place inside yourself and unless you know the trick of jumping outside your skin occasionally, as I did when I had my voice recorded, you may go through life without ever knowing yourself.

Do you really know yourself as you are? First, you must want to know yourself as you are.

In my various attempts to teach the importance of self-recognition to maladjusted people who come to me for personal advice, I find many of them singularly reluctant to examine themselves. They seem to be afraid of what they might find. But I insist that if they want my help they must go through a certain process of severe self-examination.

I teach them to stand in front of a mirror and talk to themselves as if they were advising another person.

Mirrors are valuable. They have other uses than seeing if one's hair is parted correctly or if one's lipstick is on straight. The habit of self-examination by use of a mirror is a valuable spiritual exercise and has as much psychological value as prayer.

The best time to do it is early in the morning. It is surprising what a difference a morning self-examination can make.

Then again I recommend the practice of taking a monthly character inventory. If you really want to know yourself, it is extremely wise to list at the beginning of each month, in two columns, first, your assets, and second, your liabilities. This must be done with honesty and frankness.

Merely putting down this list of good qualities on the one hand and character defects on the other stimulates one to strengthen the first column and reduce the

size of the second.

If you have a friend who is a real friend, show him the list and ask him if you have done a good job of self-analysis. Tell him to give it to you straight, with no punches pulled, and don't get angry if he is friend enough to tell you the truth.

At the beginning of the second month, without looking at the month-old list, repeat the process with the same critical objectiveness, and then compare the two lists to see if you have made any gain. By the time a few months have passed you will find that you know yourself much better. You may be somewhat disillusioned as to your value to society and your desirability as a companion. You are likely to pass through a period of considerable embarrassment, but if you can "take it" you will gradually discover a deeper meaning in life itself. You will find yourself unconsciously striving to create a better personality.

And by the time a year has passed, your self-respect will have increased, as you have eliminated or at least reduced your defects and have strengthened your desirable qualities.

There are several other ways by which a person can see himself as others see him.

I sat for several months for my portrait by a famous painter in oils. During the time he was working on it, he was constantly talking to me, sometimes telling amusing anecdotes and at other times talking on subjects in which he knew I was interested.

He said he did this in order to bring into my facial and bodily expression certain qualities of character which he knew I had but which I was suppressing because I was self-conscious about having my picture painted.

That made me ponder over the fact that we do not put our best foot forward as often as we should. Now, having your portrait done in oils is not possible for everyone, but the same effect can be secured if you go to a good photographer.

Another method of securing an objective picture of yourself from a different angle is to indulge in a little self-analysis.

Consider how you rise in the morning and go through your preparations for the day. Re-live each act and motion. Think carefully how you eat a meal from beginning to end. Look at yourself walking down the street and observe your poise, carriage, and gait. Watch yourself meet another person.

Watch yourself go to the theatre or the movies as if you were observing another person entirely. Then watch yourself go to bed. By the time you have reviewed carefully your daily activities you will have discovered several ways in which your conduct can be improved.

In other words, you will come to recognise yourself as you really are, which is the first step toward self-improvement.



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Their Schools And Their Needs.

A few weeks ago, on Children's Day, the children of the North Point Refugee Camp gave a performance for the entertainment of their parents and friends. It was held in their dining room on a stage built of tables. The costumes were reconstructed from the varied oddments that find their way into bags of cast off clothing. The young performers sang and danced and acted with the greatest aplomb, and when a serious-faced child came out and sang "Klinkle, Klinkle, little star," he followed the example of Browning's blackbird and sang it twice over. A visitor asked in surprise: "Where did these children come from?" And the answer was more surprising still.

A month ago many of them were sleeping on the streets! A few weeks education had transformed them.

On the days following the performance, other parents, whose children were not in the camps, went to the authorities and asked:

Why cannot our children be in the school too?

The answer was that there was no room for them.

In the two rooms and in the dining room (during whatever hours it can be free after twelve hundred persons have had their two meals in

New Territories Camps there is not much difficulty—a matshed can be run up in a few weeks, and there are plenty of trained teachers among the refugees only too ready to help. In Kam Tin there is a large matshed that can accommodate five hundred children. At San Uk Ling, near the frontier at Shumchun, a similar building was put up, and there were two hundred children attending regular classes within two weeks of the opening of the camp. At Fanling a ruined building has been given a matshed roof; it served as kitchen, rice depot, clothes storage and temporary hospital in the few weeks after the influx of refugees, and now it serves as a school for the children in the railways trucks. The problems are sufficiently solved in the New Territories, almost every child in the camps can find a place in the schools, but in the City camps the problem remains.

The three city camps have, between them, some twelve hundred children. Matshed schools cannot be built for them, for the danger from fire in the city would be too great. But to erect buildings of more solid structure is at present impossible since no funds are available.

Many people who know of the large sums contributed to the Relief Funds of the Colony will ask why some of this money cannot

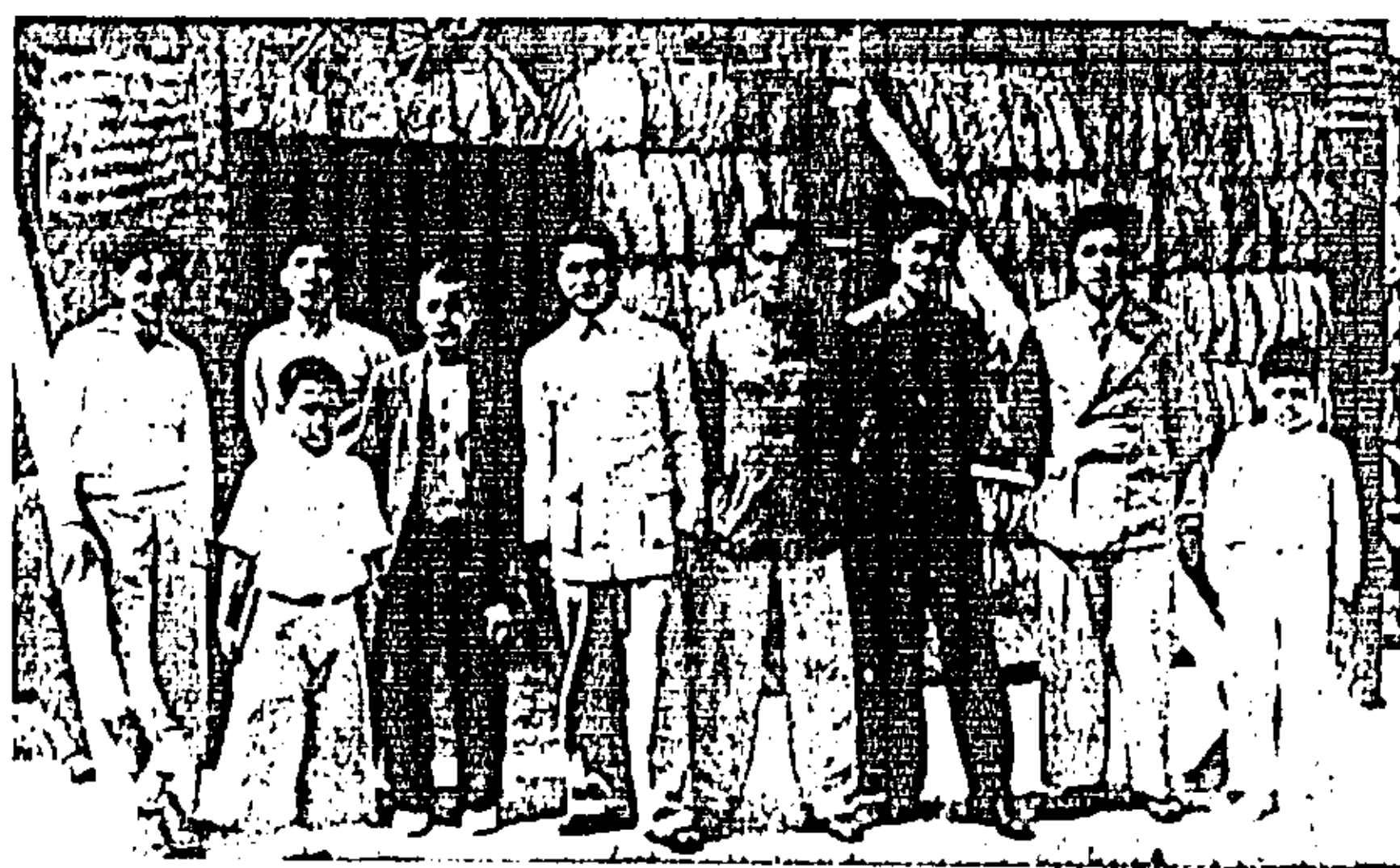


Smiling faces denote a happy condition at the Mau Tau Chung Refugee Camp. Many of these children were formerly street destitutes, but under the care of the Emergency Refugee Council, they are being taught basket-weaving and other useful work, in order that they may become self-supporting in the future.

about those who are doing most in connection with them—the teachers. Practically all are themselves refugees. They are trained teachers from Canton and the other occupied cities. They are receiving only a nominal salary, yet they are working with enthusiasm and without complaint and others are clamouring to be allowed to join them in the work. Everything is, therefore, at hand: children eager to go to school

and teachers eager to teach them, and all that is needed is a place for them to meet. For the running expenses, when once the buildings are erected, there is no anxiety; it is the capital expenditure that is needed. Can you tell where it is to come from? Say it with a donation. The address is:

"Refugee Schools," Emergency Refugee Council, Gloucester Building, 1st Floor, Hong Kong.



A group of refugee welfare workers at the Kam Tin Camp. Most of these assistants are refugees themselves, and to them must go much of the credit for the excellent work which the Emergency Refugee Council is doing.

it) four hundred and fifty children are being taught.

If there were only North Point to be considered a way-out might be found, but there are other camps of the same size at King's Park and Ma Tau Chung, and there are camps in the New Territories with twice as many inmates as those in the city, and more than twice as many children. What is to be done about them all? Obviously something should be done, for otherwise these refugee children will be left to mope around month after month in the enclosed area of the camps where they will deteriorate visibly, and will be of very poor value to China when they return after the war.

To take in hand the education of close on three thousand boys and girls is not a small matter but it has been attempted, and now a definite effort is being made to have it adequately carried out.

In all the Refugee Camps in Hong Kong and the New Territories there is a school set up by the Emergency Refugee Council and maintained by it. In the

be used—and the answer is that those who administer these funds are so conscious of the distress that exists among the refugees all through China that they do not feel free to allocate any of the money to education. Moreover, the Educational authorities of the Colony do not feel that they can put up schools for refugees as long as there are insufficient schools for Hong Kong children. Therefore, an appeal is being made to the public by the Emergency Refugee Council for money with which to erect substantial wooden buildings so that every child in the city refugee camps may be educated.

If the war ends soon, and the refugees are free to return to their homes, the buildings will not fall idle. There are so many people destitute in the city on account of the war that the huts prepared for the refugees will not be allowed to go untenanted, and their children will have the benefit of the schools.

It is not possible to mention these Camp Schools, whether in the city or in the New Territories, without saying a word

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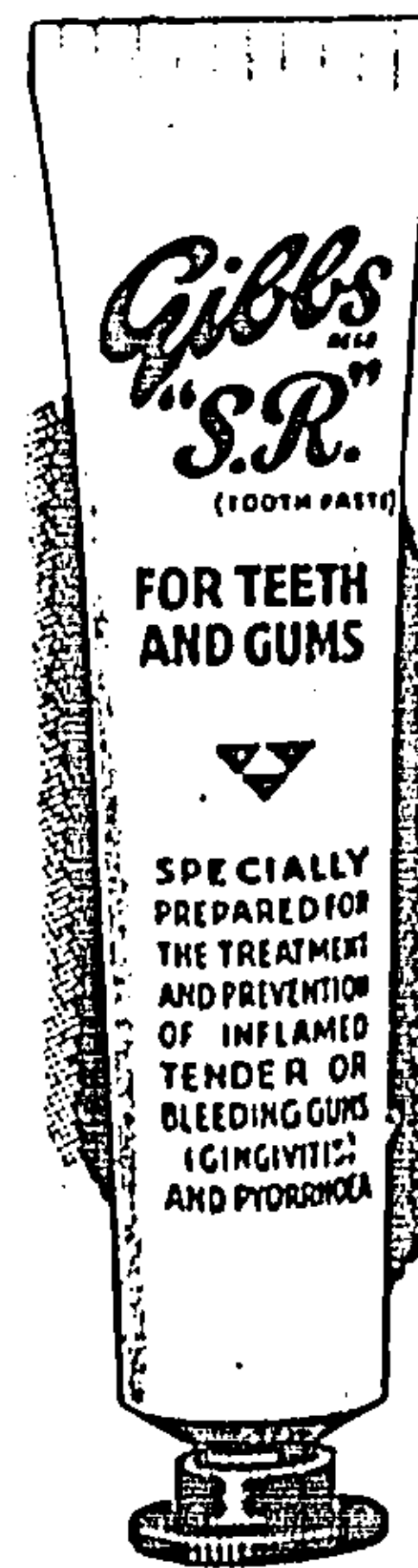
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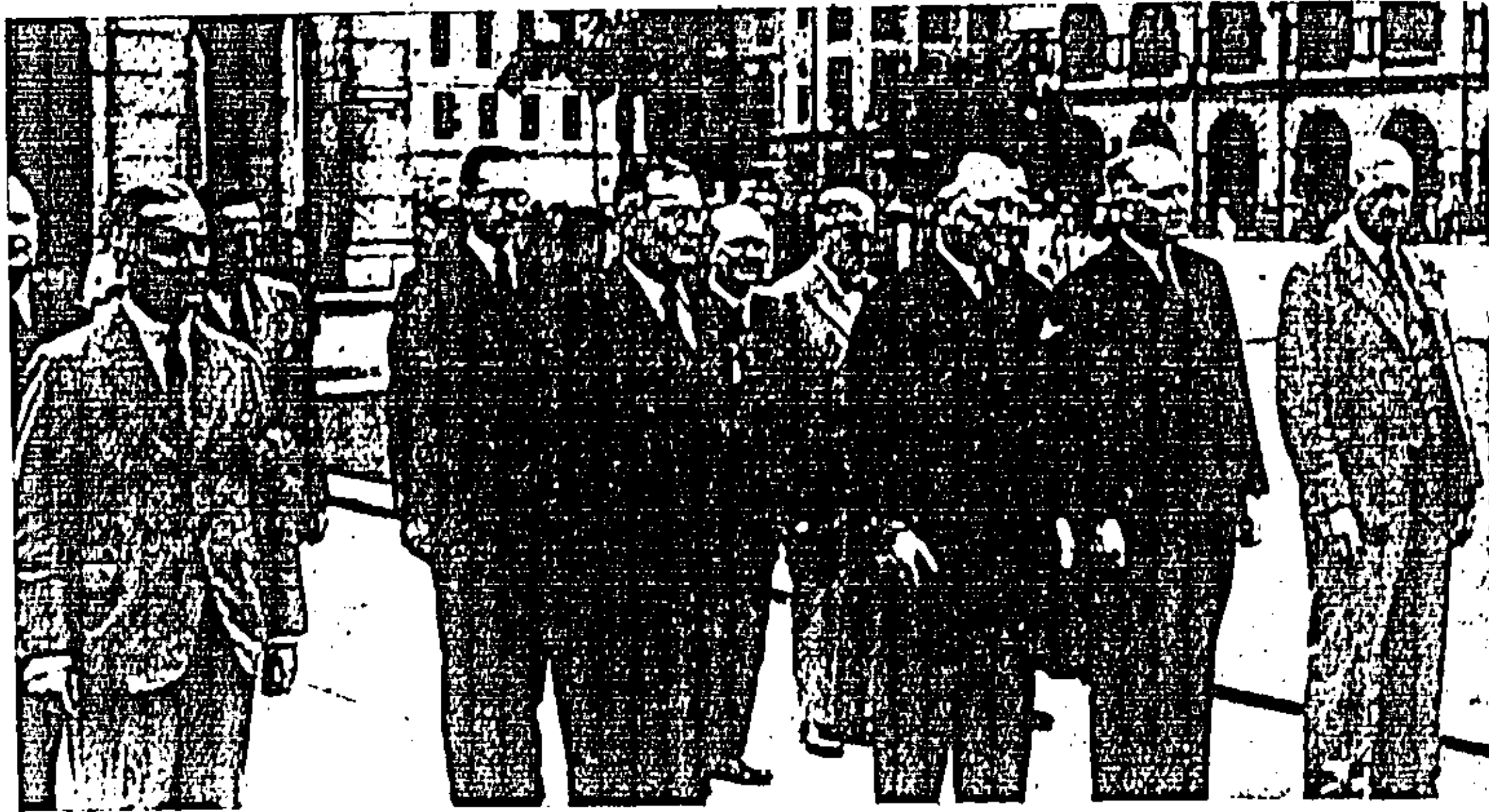
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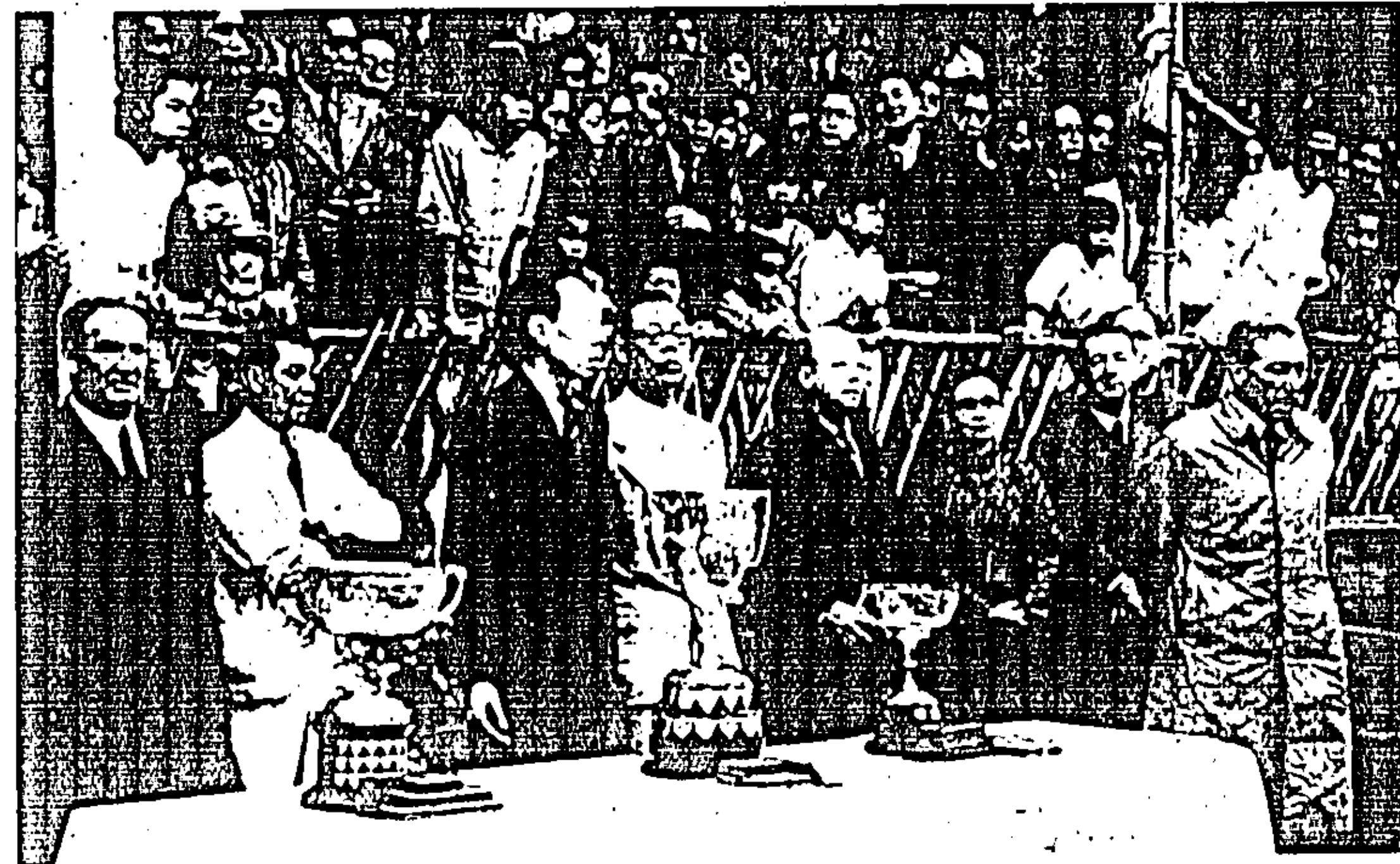
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The Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, C.M.G., is seen here when he made a short speech prior to the presentation of trophies by Mrs. M. K. Lo, at Caroline Hill last Sunday, when South China "A" met the Interport XI.



Members of the local Australian race day, and the above photo of Mr. Albert E. Bates about to start.



The annual rally of the Hong Kong Boy Scouts' Association for the Prince of Wales 21 troops competed, and more than 600 scouts attended. The three pictures above show the Governor with Deputy Commissioner and a nephew of Sub-Inspector L. Tylar of the Hong Kong Police; a group of scouts and a group of scouts.



Unusually interesting racing featured the Third Extra Race Meeting at the Valley Day (S. W. Tang) came home an easy winner to pay \$113.50 for a win. The St. George's Handicap Mr. Lan's Moonlight View (L. B.) \$23.30 for a win, while in the Canton Handicap Mr. Lan's Moonlight View (L. B.)





Services being held in St. John's Cathedral. The above pictures, taken at the service, show Mr. C. Labrum, Mr. F. C. Hall and Mr. T. J. Kt.



and New Zealand community. Wednesday in observance of Anzac Day. The above picture, taken at the service, shows Mr. F. J. Neill, Vice-President of the New Zealand Association, and Mr. J. Kt. by the wreath at the Cenotaph.



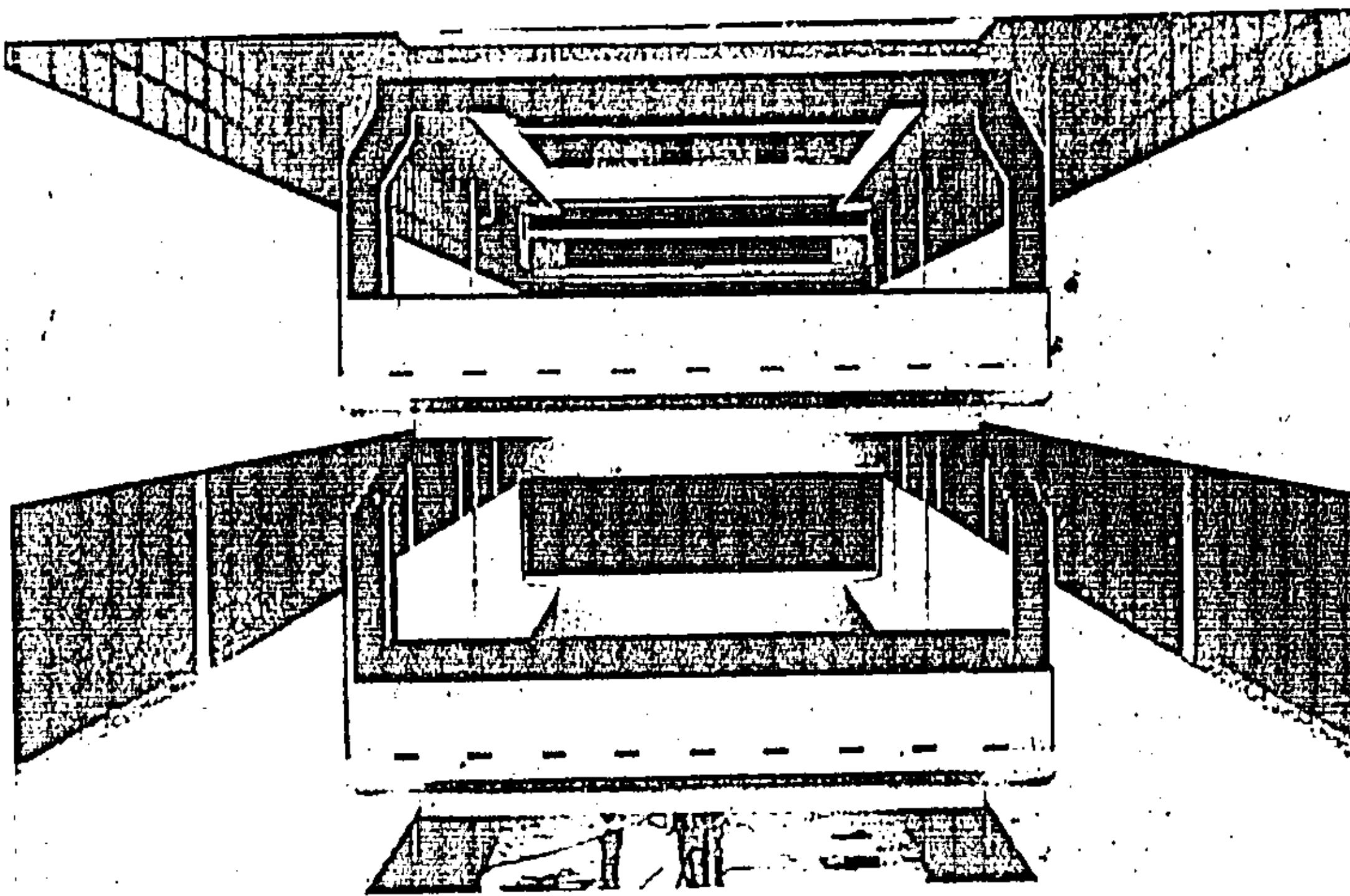
Service was held on the grounds of the Diocesan Boys' School last Saturday, when a total of £100 was raised. The above picture, taken at the service, shows Mr. C. Champkin, Deputy Commissioner, and His Excellency the Governor, Mr. C. Champkin renewing the Scout Promise.



On Saturday and some good dividends were paid. In the St. Kilda Handicap Mr. Loyo's Perfect was the favorite, but few thought Mr. Eve's Eye of Harvest (D. Black) would pay. Though tipped, paid \$61.90. All three mounts are shown being led in their respective



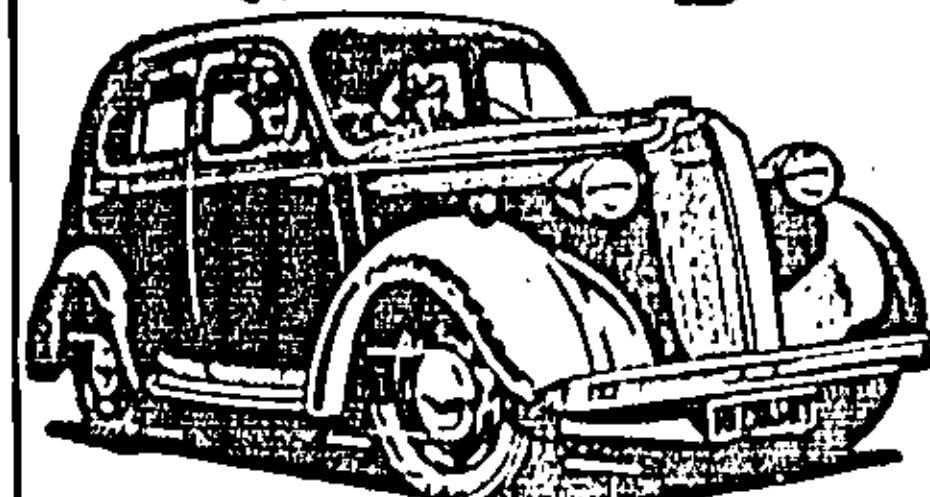
The New Central Market, which is almost completed, was open to inspection last Wednesday, when Mr. R. R. Todd, Chairman of the Urban Council, Inspector S. Eccleshall, and Mr. P. O. Peuster, foreman of the market, (shown above) acted as guides.



Probably the largest ever built in Hong Kong or China, the New Central Market has three floors and is built in a wide rectangle about a great open space. There are 285 stalls in the building, and the picture above shows a view of the interior, with bridges connecting the various sections.



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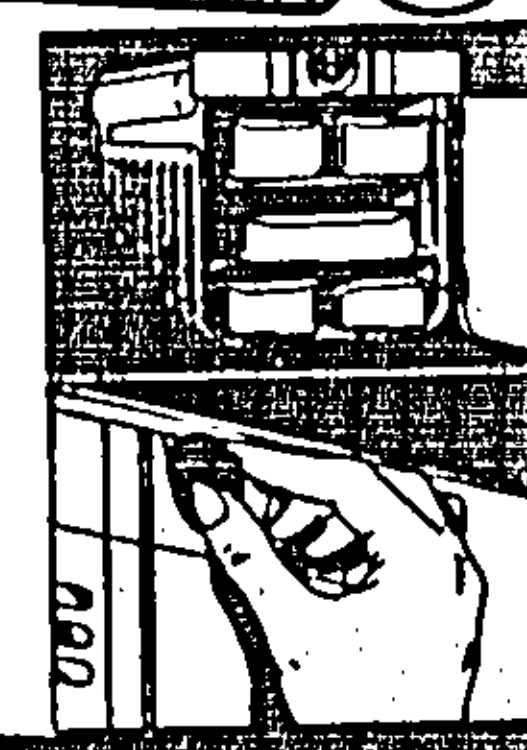
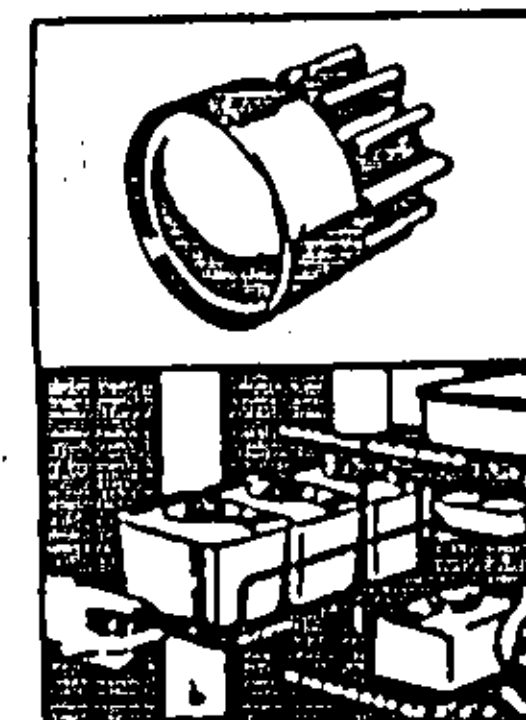
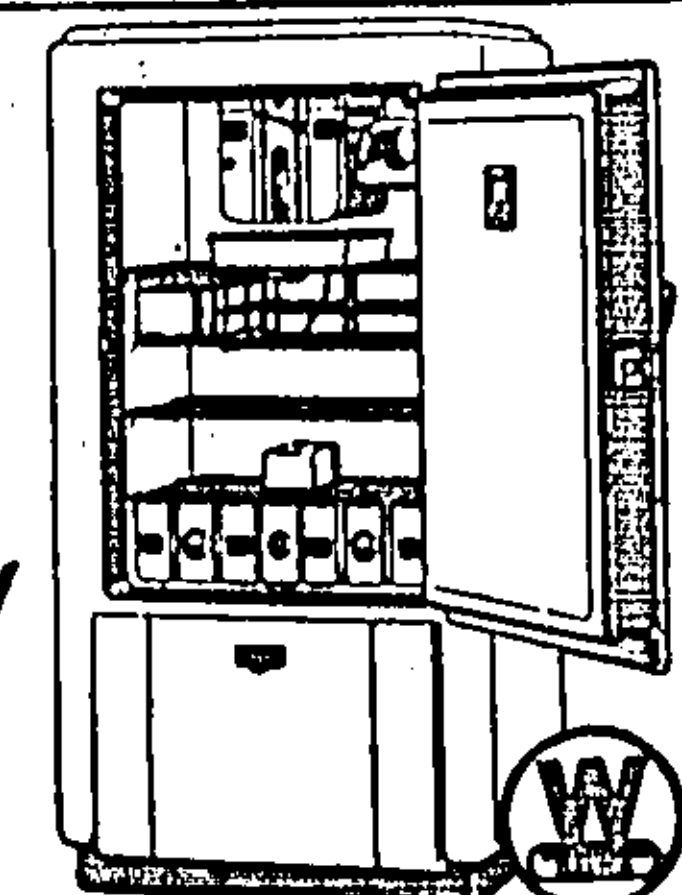


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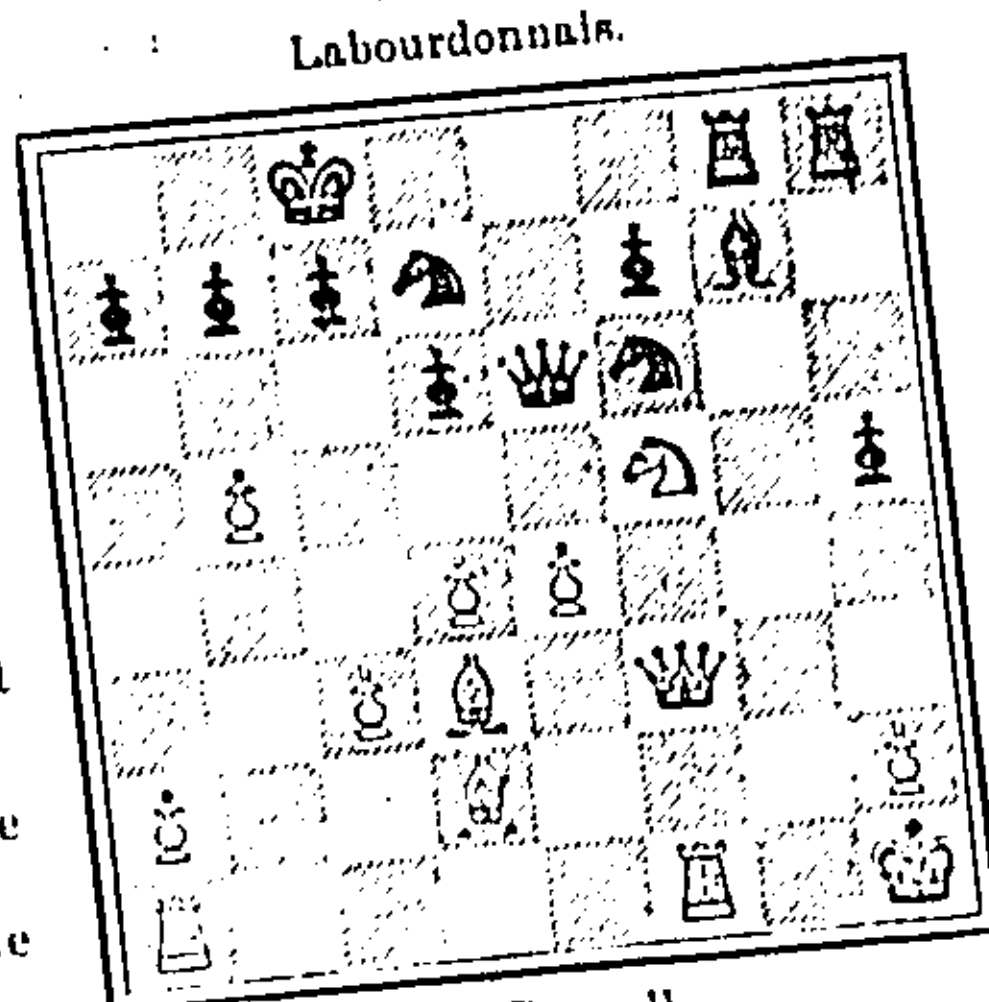
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10 THE HONG KONG SUNDAY HERALD, APRIL 30, 1939 By B. S. Litvin Chess Notes "Une Revanche de Waterloo" The following beautiful game was won by the illustrious Labourdonnaise from Alexander Macdonnell, in the year 1834. It formed the subject of a French poem, "Une Revanche de Waterloo", by M. Mary, in which the whole of the moves are introduced. QUEEN'S GAMBIT ACCEPTED | White | Black | |--------------|-------------------------------------| | 1. P-Q4 | P-Q4 | | 2. P-QB4 | PxP | | 3. P-K3 | P-K4 | | 4. BxP | PxP | | 5. PxP | Kt-KB3 | | 6. Kt-QB3 | B-K2 | | 7. Kt-B3 | O-O | | 8. B-K3 | P-B3 | | 9. P-KB3 | QKt-Q2 | | 10. B-K3 | Kt-KB3 | | 11. Castles | KKt-Q4 | | 12. P-QR4 | P-QR4 | | 13. Kt-K5 | B-K3 | | 14. B-B2 | P-KB4 | | 15. Q-K2 | P-B5 | | 16. B-Q2 | Q-K sq. | | 17. QR-K sq. | B-B2 | | 18. Q-K4 | P-KC3 | | 19. BxP | KtxB | | 20. QxKt (a) | B-B5 (b) | | 21. Q-R6 | BxR | | 22. BxP (c) | PxB | | 23. KtxKtP | Kt-B sq. | | 24. Q-R8 ch. | K-B2 | | 25. Q-R7 ch. | K-B3 | | 26. Kt-B4 | B-Q6 | | 27. R-K6 ch. | K-Kt4 | | 28. Q-R6 ch. | K-B4 | | 29. P-KKt4 | R-K5 would answer the same purpose. | (a) "Si je prenais, dit-il, la quatrième case, En face du carre que le fou, mon rival, Occupait au début, a côté du cheval, Ce poste m'obtiendrait une victoire sûre; Je menace les blancs d'une double blessure: Labourdonnaise n'a pas prévu ce mauvais tour; (b) "Le général français avait bien attendu, Que les noirs tomberaient dans le piège tendu." (c) "Il sait qu'il va mourir; cette mort, il l'implore, Sage fou qui déjà, quoique mourant, peut voir, Le redoutable mat planant sur le roi noir!" CASTLING ON QUEEN'S SIDE. It is a principle in chess that castling on the Queen's side is not so safe as castling on the King's side, especially for the second player. It frequently involves an additional move, in placing the King on QKt square, either to avoid a diagonal check or to defend the QR Pawn. There are however some notable exceptions to the rule, viz.: when the Queen's file is open for the player so castling, and not for his adversary; or when the Pawns on King's side can be advanced for a strong attack on the opponent's King, already castled on that side. MacDonnell. The following position is from the play of MacDonnell v. Labourdonnaise. It springs from a variation of the King's Gambit in which Black is specially recommended to castle on Queen's side. The players have consequently been advancing on opposite sides, and the situation as it stands is indecisive. Black to move:— | White | Black | |--------------------|----------| | 1. P-QR4 | Kt-Kt5 | | 2. P-QB4 | B-R3 | | 3. BxB | KtxB | | 4. P-R5 | KtxKt | | 5. P-Kt | Q-Kt6 | | 6. P-R6 | P-Q4 | | 7. P-B4 | Kt-B3 | | 8. P-KtP ch. | K-Kt sq. | | 9. P-B5 | Kt-Kt5 | | 10. P-Kt6 | RPxP. | | 11. P-B6 and wins. | |

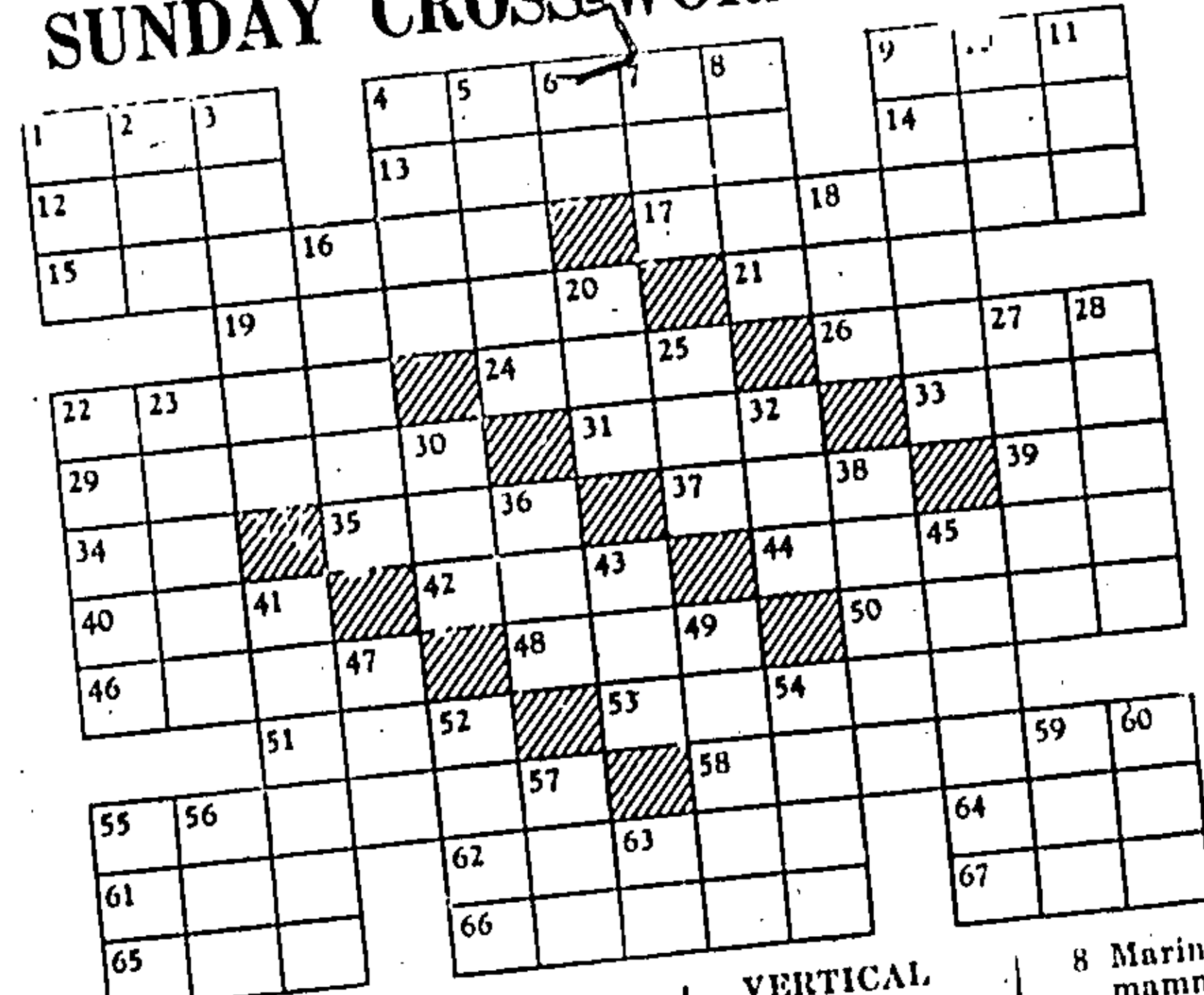


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3. BxB	KtxB
4. P-R5	KtxKt
5. P-Kt	Q-Kt6
6. P-R6	P-Q4
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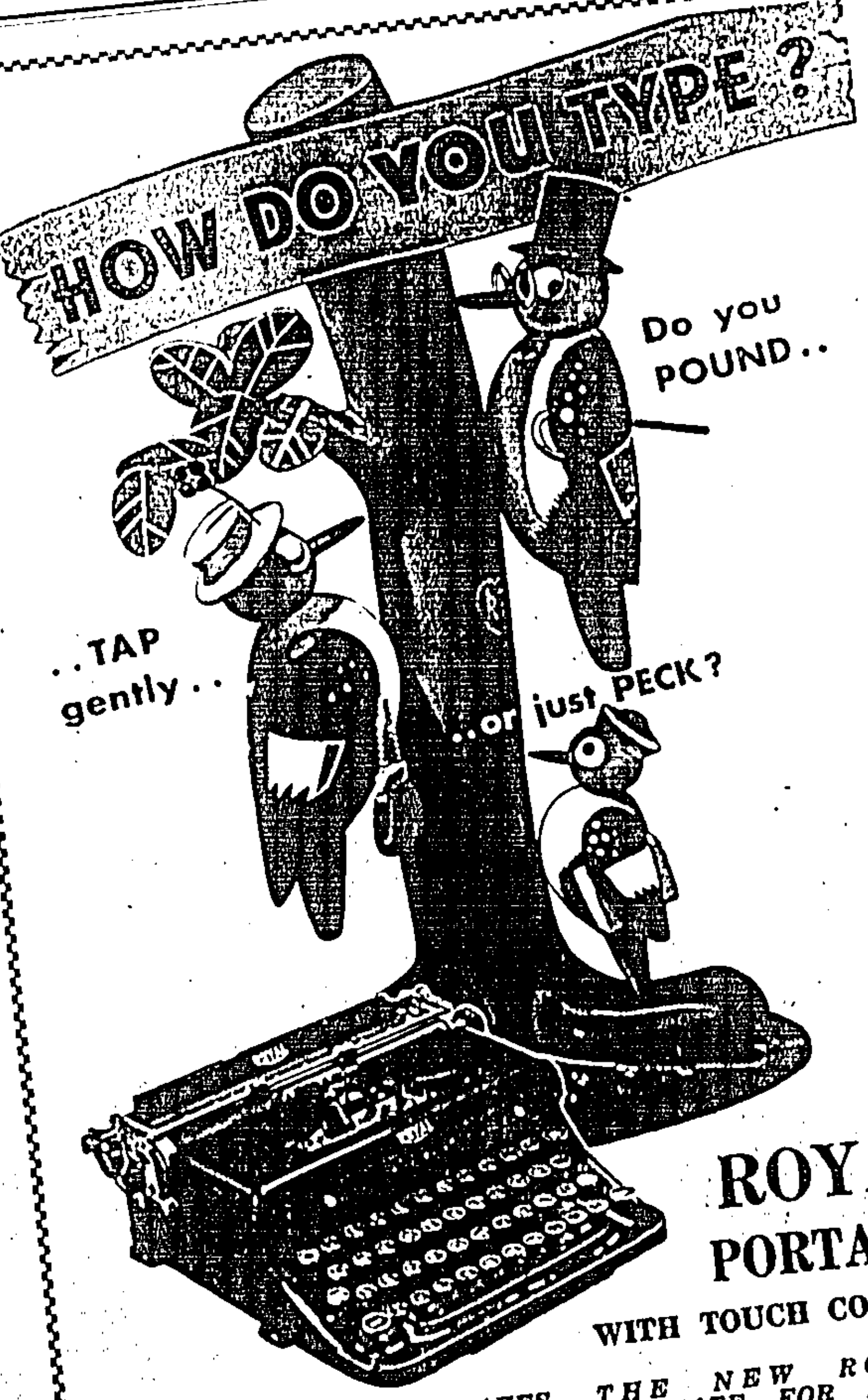
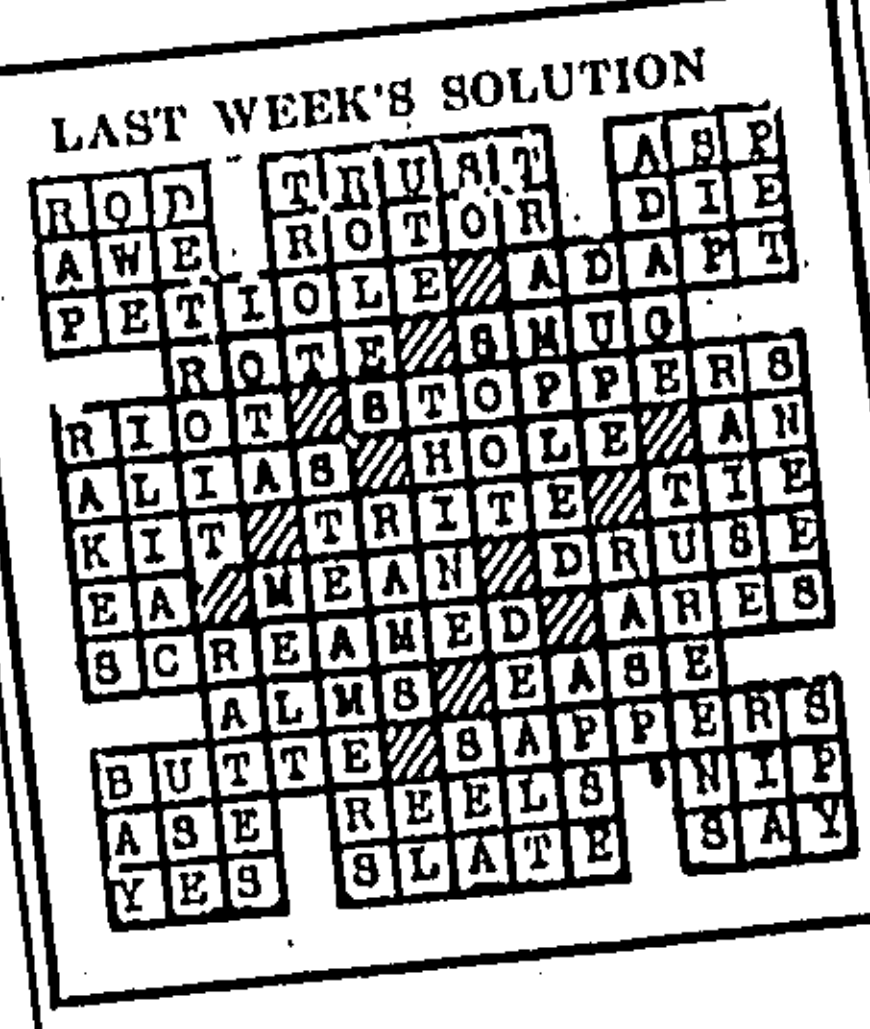
SUNDAY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE



- HORIZONTAL**
- To deceive
 - Portuguese river
 - Turn left!
 - Macaw
 - Unparalleled
 - Beverage
 - Kind of sheep
 - To hang
 - Bar of metal
 - To fall behind
 - Pith
 - Aftermath
 - To furrow
 - To introduce
 - Edible seed
 - Silk worm
 - Exists
 - Quarrel
 - Among
 - At home
 - To eat
 - Large
 - Admired
 - Fish (pl.)
 - Pinnacle
 - Is ill
 - Electrified particle
 - Endures
 - Foot covering

- VERTICAL**
- Rotating piece
 - Swedish coin
 - Gaudy in effect
 - Sharp taste
 - Apart
 - To run
 - German: and

- Marine mammal
- To enfil
- Everyone
- Small
- To bury
- Pile
- Toy
- Habit
- To send forth
- Jewel
- Kind of window
- Breezes
- To plunder
- To be ill
- Humorist
- Record
- Pedestal
- rest
- Crane arm
- Osculated
- Soil
- One of the apostles
- Dozes
- War god
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Suppose he writes 83087. You immediately know that your total is going to be 283085. How do you know? Well, you place the figure 2 in front of the first digit, and subtract 2 from the last digit; that gives you 283085. You can reveal the answer any time you wish. It adds mystery to the stunt. If you write the answer on a sheet of paper, fold it up and give it to someone in the party to hold.

How can you be sure that the five rows of figure will give you that total? Our first row reads 83087; ask your victim to write another row beneath the first. Suppose he writes 72013. Now it's your turn: the third row must be 27986. The sum of the second and third rows must always be 99999—so all you have to do to get the third row figure is to subtract each digit from 9. Your victim writes a fourth row, say 63829, and you add a fifth and last row which brings the total of row four and row five to 99999. Then your rows of figures will look like this:

83087
72013
27986
63829
36170

283085

There it is — the very answer you predicted! The rows marked * are the ones you fill in. Try the stunt once or twice before springing it at a party.

Socks in a Drawer

This trick must be a good one, since it completely baffled the writer of this department. Here is the problem as you present it to the guests at your party:

"A man keeps his socks in a dresser drawer in a room too dimly lighted to distinguish colour. He has one dozen black socks and two dozen brown socks, all mixed loosely in the drawer. How many socks will he have to take out of the drawer to be sure that he has a complete pair of either colour when he carries them to the light?"

The answer is absurdly simple. He will need to pick only three socks out of the drawer — out of the three he is bound to have one completely black pair, or one brown pair. The very simplicity of the answer will help to enrage your guests who fail to hit upon it.

Trap the Killer

How good a lawyer do you think you or any of your guests might be? Here's a way to find out through an excellent exercise in logic which will have practically every member of the party scratching his head for the solution. This is the problem:

A bookmaker by the name of Jeep was shot and killed. Jeep was known to have been cordially hated by at least a dozen frequenters of the race track at which he operated. Police finally found five of these men and brought them in for questioning. Desk Sergeant O'Connor took statements from



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five men. He knew that each man made three statements and that one of the three statements was false, the other two true. Knowing that only one statement was false in each case, he was able to determine which of the five—their names were Smith, Jones, Brown, Black, and Green — men should be charged with the murder of Jeep.

These are the statements made by the suspects:

Smith: "I didn't kill Jeep. I never killed anybody. Black did it."

Jones: "I certainly never shot Jeep. All my life I never owned a revolver. These other four mugs are trying to fool you."

Brown: "I don't know anything about the Jeep murder. I never saw Green before. Black is the guilty man."

Black: "I'm innocent as a baby. Green shot Jeep. Smith lied when he said I had done it."

Green: "Brown has known me since I was a kid and he'll vouch for me. The killer is Jones. I don't know anything about the murder."

Which of the five is the killer, if only one statement out of the three made by each man is false?

Answer at foot of page.

Mental Gymnastics
Tell your guests to prepare themselves for a mental "dally dozen" you're ready to give them. These questions should all be answered without pencil or paper.

Party Pepper-Uppers
and with only a moment or two for calculation:

1. If there are two ducks in front of a duck and two ducks behind a duck and a duck in the middle, how many ducks are there?

2. How many quarter-inch cubes can be put in a box whose inside measurements are one cubic inch?

3. If you paid a man \$4.95 in

5. A man wants \$63 in six pieces of money. What will you give him?

6. How much is a third and a half-of-a-third of a dollar?

Answers

Mental Gymnastics Answers:

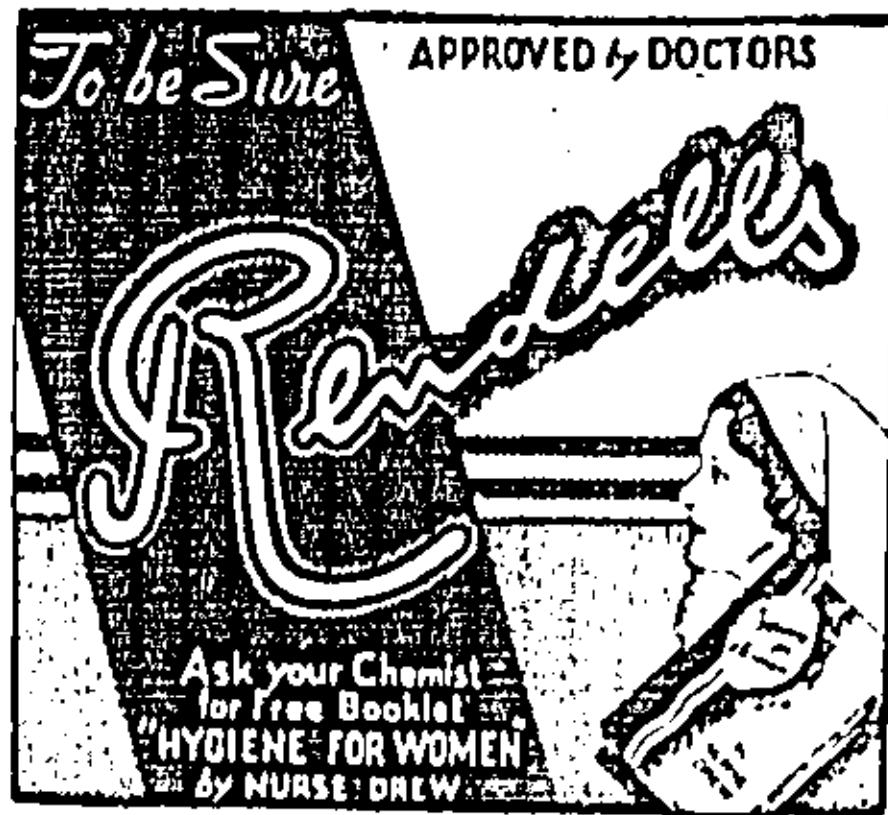
1. Three ducks. 2. Sixty-four. 3. \$2.50 gold piece, \$2 bill, a quarter and two dimes. 4. 90 calves, \$45; 9 cows, \$45; 1 bull, \$10.5, \$50 bill, \$5 bill, and four \$2 bills; another solution would be three \$20 bills and three \$1 bills. See if you can figure out others for yourself. 6. Fifty cents.

Jeep's Murder Solved: Smith said (1) he didn't kill Jeep, and (2) he never killed anybody. These statements cannot both be false. Therefore Smith's statement (3) that "Black did it" is false. This proves that both Smith and Black are innocent.

Knowing as we now do that Black is innocent, we turn to his statement. Statements (1) "I'm innocent as a baby" and (3) "Smith lied when he said I had done it" are obviously true. Therefore the false statement is "Green shot Jeep."

Brown says, "Black is the guilty man," which is false. Therefore Brown's statements that he is innocent and that he never knew Green are true. Green says, "Brown has known me since I was a kid," which we now know is false. Therefore Green's statements that he doesn't know anything about the murder, and that, "the killer is Jones," are true.

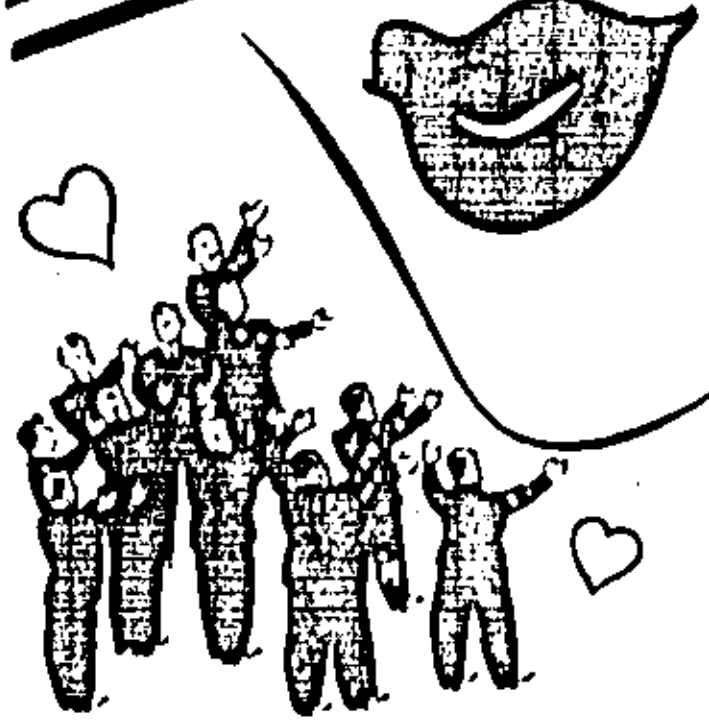
We know, then, that Jones is the guilty man and that his only false statement is "I never shot Jeep."



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Character From Handwriting

ALL handwriting betrays something of the character of the writer.

Of course, if one is to get a true picture of a personality it is necessary to balance the various features. Few characters are without some complexities, and these are shown by contradictory signs in the writing. In a short article like this, one can only lay down a few general principles.

For instance: Writing that has a perfectly level base line with

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Fig. 1

the small letters all about the same size, and some of the "a"s and "o"s open at the top, shows a straightforward, sincere sort of person. If the lines and words are well spaced also, the writer is a clear thinker and has a good sense of justice (Fig. 1).

This specimen shows in addition to these qualities, a gentle, peace-loving disposition with great powers of adaptability; plenty of quiet determination too. Notice the steady pressure and the little hook at the end of the "x".

Fig. 2 shows some of the same characteristics, but the thick blunt stem of the "x" indicates a stronger will. Round writing is the sign of a conciliatory nature.

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Fig. 2

People who join their letters by curves dislike friction of any kind. They are generally easy to get on with and have plenty of the milk of human kindness.

There is more sternness in the character of those whose writing is angular—plenty of grit also. These people have great powers of resistance; they have keen, active minds and are never happy unless doing something; they never give in and will not recognise the meaning of the word "defeat." (Fig. 3). One seldom sees such hand-writing which contains no curves at all. Such a case would show a lack of the softer qualities, and some amount of harshness in the character.



A pastel study of Mrs. D. B. Li, by Miss Christine Corra.

Large writing belongs to people whose interest lie in action and enterprise; these people generalise, and they find concentration difficult.

In judging size you must examine the small letters—e.g., the "t"s, "a"s, "m"s, "n"s; not those which have strokes above or below the line.

Very high strokes above the line show that the interests are mainly intellectual. (Fig. 4A). When there is a very marked difference between the height of the small and the long letters and the spacing is good, there is a desire for clear expression. These signs are often found in the writing of orators and literary people. Big sweeping strokes below the line denote powers of endurance and love of physical activity. (Fig. 4B).

The smaller the writing the greater the capacity for concentration. Usually people whose writing is very small have more than average mental ability; with careful punctuation and accurately placed "i" dots and "t" crosses,

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Fig. 3

their special province will be detail.

If, in addition to these signs the letters are crowded together, there is more than a chance that the writer is fussy and mean. One must remember, however, that in estimating character from writing one sign must never be taken alone, but always in combination with other indications.

Take width. Very wide writing denotes a friendly, unconstrained nature, whilst a narrowing of the words and letters is always a sign of self-restraint and reserve; but when one writes fast, width automatically increases. You can test this for yourself by first writing a few lines at your normal speed and then as fast as you possibly can.

If, therefore, a person who normally writes quickly (and the graphologist is able to judge speed) at the same time expresses himself in narrow writing, the

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Fig. 4

self-control in the character is very pronounced indeed.

There is a type of writing in which the width occurs between the letters whilst the letters themselves are narrow.

In this case the restraint is there, but it is covered by an open unreserved manner. People who write in this way can talk with great apparent freedom, but you will know little about their inner thoughts when they have finished (Fig. 5).

Imagination is shown by numerous sweeping curves above the line. All indicate imagination, but not all embellishments are artistic. Imagination may imply simply an exaggerated idea of

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Fig. 5

one's own importance, or it may mean creative ability of the highest order.

Beautifully formed capitals with original connections and good spacing are the signs of artistic talent. The dramatic temperament displays itself by big capitals, a wavy base line and shaded letters.

Heavily shaded letters show that the appeal to the senses is strong. When the shading is in the cross strokes the nature is responsive to beauty and art even though there may be no executive power (Fig. 6).

And so we find that every detail in handwriting throws some

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Fig. 6

fresh light upon the character contributing something towards a complete portrait of the personality.

Diplomacy Starts At Home

Emotional partnerships cannot be durable and successful unless the partners have for each other feelings of confidence, honesty and a live-and-let-live spirit

YOU cannot love your neighbour as yourself unless you know what you and your neighbour are both like. The laws which apply to ourselves apply also to our intimates. We should give our partners the same encouragement and make the same excuses for them as we make for ourselves.

Let us take four common forms of main relationships, and see what they are based on. For purposes of simplification let us call them:

1. The boa-constrictor and the rabbit.
2. The neck and neckers.
3. The tight-rope perfectionists.
4. The fifty-fifties.

The "boa-constrictor and the rabbit" is a favourite form of human partnership.

It is very easy to recognise this type of main relationship. One partner, the boa-constrictor, decides everything, makes all the

plans, and has to be catered to, and never allows any other relationship or contact to enter the charmed circle.

At first sight the boa-constrictor seems to have the best of the bargain. He has swallowed the rabbit; and this increases his sense of vigour and importance, for strange as it may seem, the boa-constrictor needs a lot of encouragement from the rabbit.

The rabbit, however, likes being swallowed; he has no responsibility from start to finish, which is what he really wants for he is usually a passive character.

The drawback of this relationship is that neither of the two parties has much time or strength left for any other form of human contact.

Then we come to the "neck and neckers" relationship.

These are the partners who have to spend their whole time competing with each other. That is to say, the woman, because she is a woman, feels inferior, and has to prove that she is *not*; and the man wants to make quite sure that he is superior because he is a man, and has to prove that he is. Putting each other at a disadvantage whenever possible seems the best way of proving this, but it is never very restful.

These partners are often very active people and look with envy and jealousy upon anything that their partner does as well, or better than they do. They can seldom bear to hear their partner tell a story in public without correcting it. The neck and neckers have a most exhausting and exciting life, with frequent breakdowns of one kind or another.

The tight-rope dancers are the Atlases of the spiritual life; they carry the world on their shoulders. Being very responsible people, they usually have successful main relationships, though not without a good deal of agony on both sides.

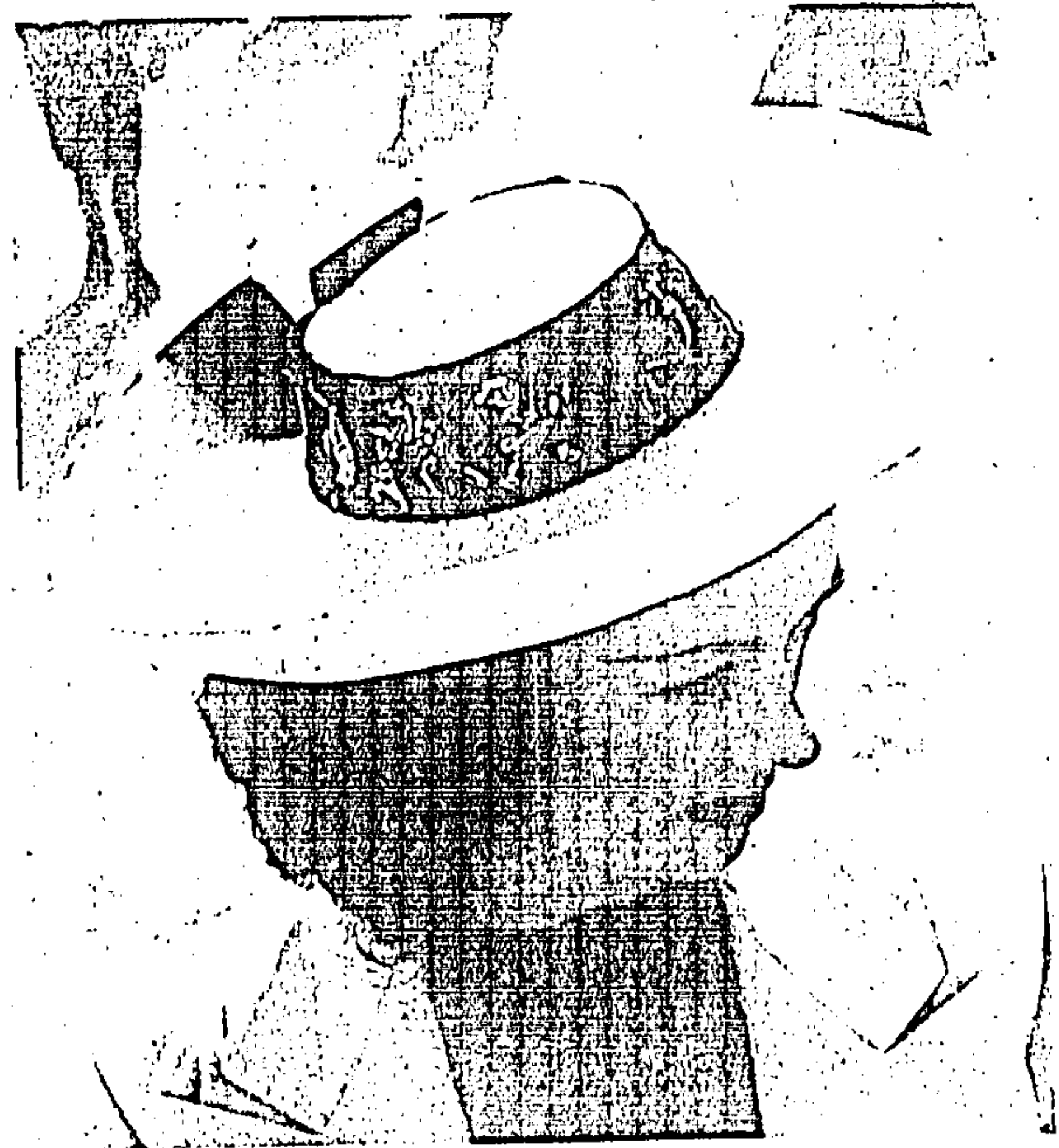
A tight-rope dancer has to be perfect and expects to find his partner perfect. This is bitterly resented by other, imperfect human beings, who know they are imperfect and wish others to be no less so.

Tight-rope dancers frequently have discouraged children because they set them too ambitious tasks; and the children, seeing how their anxious parent suffers from the strain of having to be perfect, frequently decide for themselves to be the exact opposite. "I cannot understand how this child can be so naughty, when it has the best parents in the world." The child has seen the cost of perfection, and has decided that something a great deal cheaper would suit him better.

We can admire tight-rope dancers, for they are always useful, but they could be more useful still if they got off their imaginary rope.

The fifty-fifties are those who, without undue strain, and by the use of a great deal of common-sense, try to make their main relationship not possessive, nor competitive, nor impossible! They take mistakes lightly, both their own and their partners, and do not exaggerate at any time.

There are three main qualities which tend to make an emotional partnership durable and successful.



Some striking fashions were seen at Auteuil on April 9th, when France went to the races. This hat, for instance, brings to life a number of nursery rhymes with applied pictures on the ribbon band. (Copyright, Fox).

One is the power of leaving the other one alone—not leaving him *lonely*, that is quite different—and not interfering in any way whatever with his style of life.

Not to try to alter another human being is a difficult business, but it is as nothing compared to the difficulties one falls into, from trying to alter the other human being! In an intimacy there should be no criticism whatever. The partner should be allowed to keep all his habits, opinions, mannerisms, and weaknesses.

It is worth while to try to find out why he has these weaknesses, in order to avoid touching them, but not in order to rub them in. If he is irritable, one can avoid what one knows would set him off. If she is not truthful when frightened, one need not be severe. If a husband dislikes questions, or a wife resents being shown how to do things—these slight hindrances to social interest should be avoided.

Respect is another help; it is a proof of confidence, and confidence is vital in a main relationship.

Confidence is the foundation of all good relationships. But, for a moment, suppose confidence is shaken by jealousy. Jealousy is practically a universal quality; how shall we control it in our main emotional relationship?

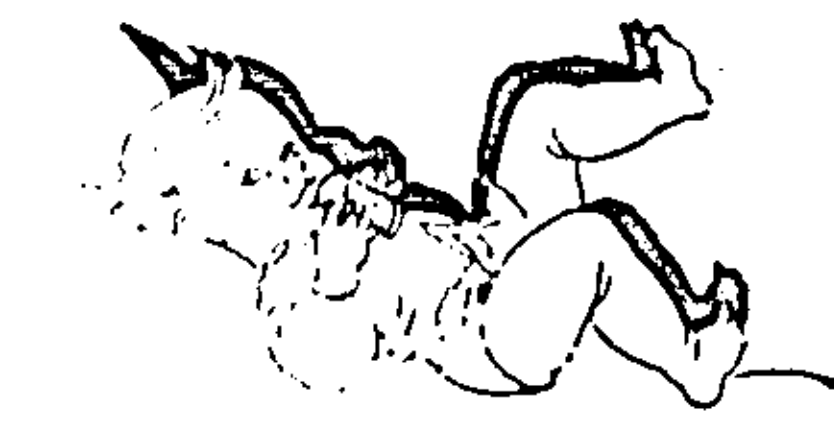
Henry James says that if you only love a little, you are only a little jealous; if you love greatly your jealousy is also great; but if you love with the best that is in you, and with all your heart, you do not know what jealousy is.

There is one more main ingredient in a good relationship, and that is honesty.

Honesty is not the *best* policy in an intimacy, it is the *only* policy.

But honesty does not mean that one has to repeat disagreeable things to one's lover—or give him the irritable froth off one's mind. Nor even reveal to him startlingly unpleasant incidents in one's past. Confessions to lovers can be very revengeful.

A fifty-fifty human relationship avoids fooling or being fooled, and the participants in it can never afford to blame each other.



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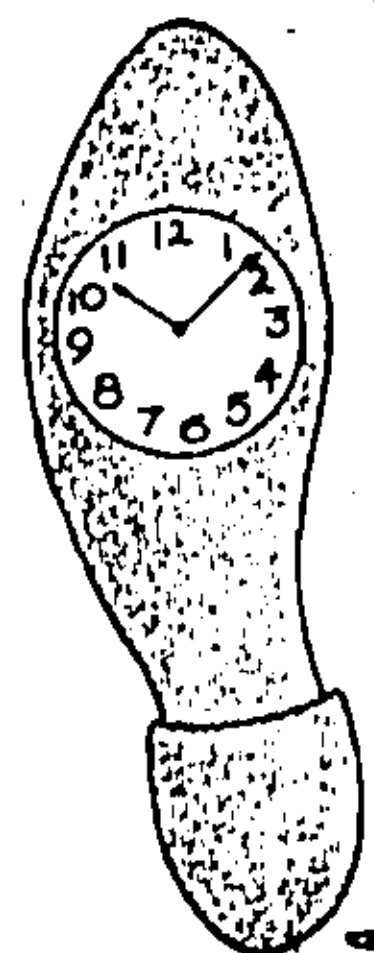


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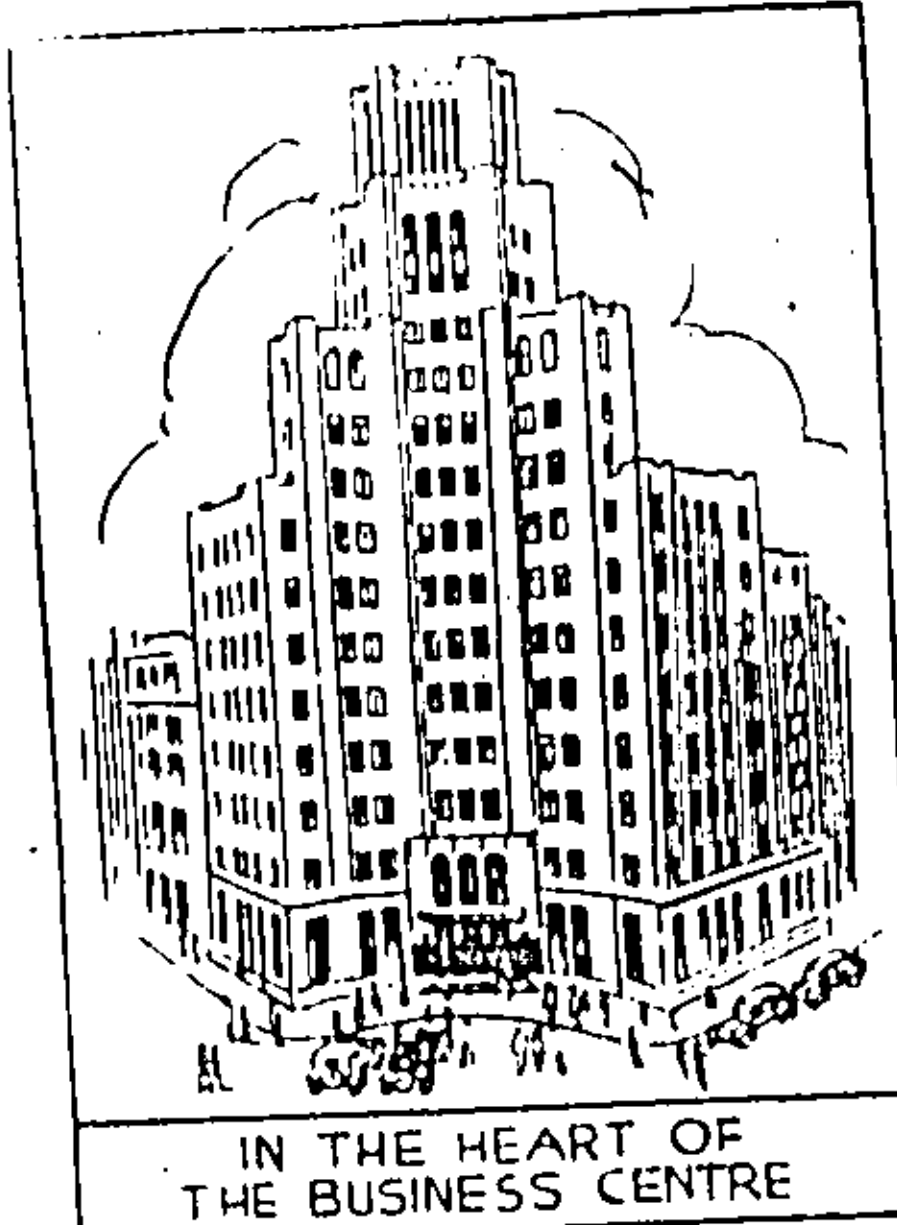


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He had been tolerant and had
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trying to get to sleep for the past
half-hour.
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shut up for the night?" she asked
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be awakened to see the sunrise,
sir?"
Traveller: "Certainly — the
day after to-morrow." — *Marie*
Luise.

NECESSARY GADGET
Truck Driver: "Use your noddle.
Lady, use your noddle."
Lady Motorist: "My goodness,
where is it? I've pulled and
pushed everything in the car!" —
Insurance Broker.



"I'm going to find out why my en-
try never wins." — *1000 Jokes*,
U.S.A.

SOME DUCKS!
A salesman was rattling along a
country road in eastern Tennessee,
when he came to a ford. A darkey
was standing by the little stream
where some ducks were swim-
ming. The salesman said: "Can
I get through the creek with this
car all right?"

"Yes, sah, drive right through."
The salesman, thus encouraged,
drove into the stream, only to
find that the water was so deep
that it flooded his engine. He
and his companion had to get
out into the stream with the cold
water up to their armpits and
push the car to the bank. The
salesman turned and said: "What
do you mean by telling me that I
could drive through that creek?"
"Well, boss, I nevuth knew dat
water was so deep. It only
comes half-way up my ducks!" —
Montreal Star.



"COPY CAT!"
The Humorist, London, England.

LARNIN'
Eastern Visitor: "Has the ad-
vent of the radio helped ranch
life?"
Pinto Pete: "I'll say it has.
Why, we learn a new cowboy song
every night, and, say, we've found
out that the dialect us fellers have
used for years is all wrong." —
Wall Street Journal.

AS USUAL
Judge: "You heard the alterca-
tion between the accused and his
wife?"
Witness: "Yes, your honour."
Judge: "What did the accused
say?"
Witness: "He listened, your
honour." — *Berliner Illustrierte*.

WHY WORRY?
"With your every breath, the
Government spends \$1,000. But
don't let this affect your breathing.
It is the same if you don't." —
Milwaukee Journal.

PROGRESSING
"How long have you been ski-
ing?"
"Three days."
"You're doing wonderfully well."
"I ought to — it took me three
years to learn." — *Koralle*.

NOT SO GOOD
Mistress: "Did anybody ring up
whilst I was out?"

Maid: "Yes, ma'am, the French
Ambassador."
"Really? What an honour! What
did he want?"
"Nothing, ma'am. It was the
wrong number." — *Kolnische*
Illustrierte.

OF COURSE!
Conductor (after stumbling over
obstacle in the aisle): "Madam,
you must not leave your valise in
the aisle."
Coloured Lady: "Fo' de lan'
sakes, dat ain't no valise; dat's
mah foot!" — *Kreolite News*.

IN THIS CASE
"Will you guarantee the up-
holstery of this car?" demanded
the prospective purchaser.
"Madam," replied the salesman,
"the proof of the pudding is in the
seating." — *Springfield Republican*.

WHY WAIT?
Father: "There's plenty of
time for Lizzie to think of get-
ting married. Let her wait until
the right man comes along."
Mother: "Why, Father, I don't
see why she should wait. I didn't."
— *Toronto Globe*.

WELL AWAY
"I hear you are marrying the
lady who owns the house at the
corner. A good choice, if I may
say so."
"Ah, so you know the house?" —
Vart Hom.

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Modern Mothers Give Me a Pain

MODERN mothers give me a pain. And their brought-up-half-baked, raised-by-the-book children give me another.

Being a godmother to a couple of terrors and friend to a handful of mamas with infants, has given me the opportunity to observe first-hand the problems of motherhood and the application of the solutions suggested by child psychologists. And my conviction remains that a little more emphasis on the hair-brush and less on the rules in the book would make for a better child and a less martyr-like mother.

Not long ago I spent an afternoon with a mother who before The Great Event was my idea of a swell girl. Beautiful, level-headed and the possessor of a brilliant brain, she was my nomination for the title of Perfect Mother—until I saw her in action. For one solid hour she coaxed, pleaded and tried in more ways than I could have thought up in two weeks, to get her almost-two-year-old son to give her a beer bottle he had found under the kitchen sink. Finally, when I was thoroughly bored by the proceedings, I remarked, "If he were mine I'd take that bottle away from him and work on the seat of his rompers."

With the sad eyes of a misunderstood spaniel, this but-the-book-said mother regarded me with that look that mothers reserve for those who have never gone down into the Valley of the Shadow, and observed patronisingly, "But you don't understand. Snatching something away from a child does something to him." And there she left me in the middle of the mystery, with no explanation of what that "something" was, but with the realisation that having a baby had certainly done "something" to what was once a sensible young woman.

Another case in point is one that reminds me of that old saying: "Too many cooks spoil the broth." In this case, it's too many books spoil the brat.

The mother to whom I have long been devoted, but in whom I recognise the fault of being too impressionable, bought a sort of five-foot-shelf of baby books the minute she was sure it was to be her privilege to start knitting upon tiny garments. It was her idea to sift the nuggets of wisdom from these books, mix with a generous portion of common sense, apply the result to her off-spring, which turned out to be a beautiful baby girl.

To date, the product of this scheme is an almost incorrigible young lady of two, who in my estimation needs nothing so much as a steady diet of good, sound spankings, and whose mother needs nothing so much as someone to hit her over the head with one of her baby books.

Personally, I think children are swell. The raised-by-the-book brats may give me a pain, but I still like them. I even like mean kids, like the little boy who tried to saw the leg off my piano, but modern mothers get on my nerves.

And I've had enough of the new propaganda put out by the child psychologists, and by the noble mamas themselves, that raising children to-day is a bigger job than ever before and can be handled successfully only by unselfish women who are willing to add to the tasks of diaper laundering and nose wiping, the profound and complicated study of child psychology.



I'm nearly 40 . . .
what's going to happen to me?

AT HOME

But Betty, what would we do? We've nothing behind us. If only I were five years younger! Oh, this ghastly tiredness always...

But darling, anyone'd think you were an old man. It's absurd—this tiredness of yours is something to do with your health, not your age! You ought to see a doctor.

AT THE DOCTOR'S

The firm's cutting down staff. I don't like the look of it.

Neither do I... (THINKS) THEY'RE SURE TO PICK ON ME. MY WORK'S NOT BEEN TOO GOOD LATELY. THEY'LL PUT ONE OF THESE YOUNG FELLOWS WITH MORE 'DRIVE' IN MY PLACE.

My dear Mr. Jones—a man shouldn't even begin to feel old until he's 60. You've got your best years in front of you. No, from what you tell me, I'm pretty sure your trouble is Night Starvation.

I feel done-in all the time, doctor. I even wake tired... sign of old age, I suppose.

You see, even at night you go on using up energy in heartbeats, breathing and other automatic actions. In your case, this has also led to an excess of acid waste products in the blood. All this causes you to wake tired, feel run-down. So of course you can't do your best work. Now recent tests have proved that it's Horlicks people need for this condition. Start tonight.

SIX WEEKS LATER JONES FELT ON TOP OF THE WORLD AGAIN

SIX MONTHS LATER

Guess what, Betty! They're sending me to Singapore for a very special job. Old Smith said I was the only man who could handle it.

Oh, darling! (THINKS) NOW WE'RE SAFE—THANK GOODNESS FOR HORLICKS.

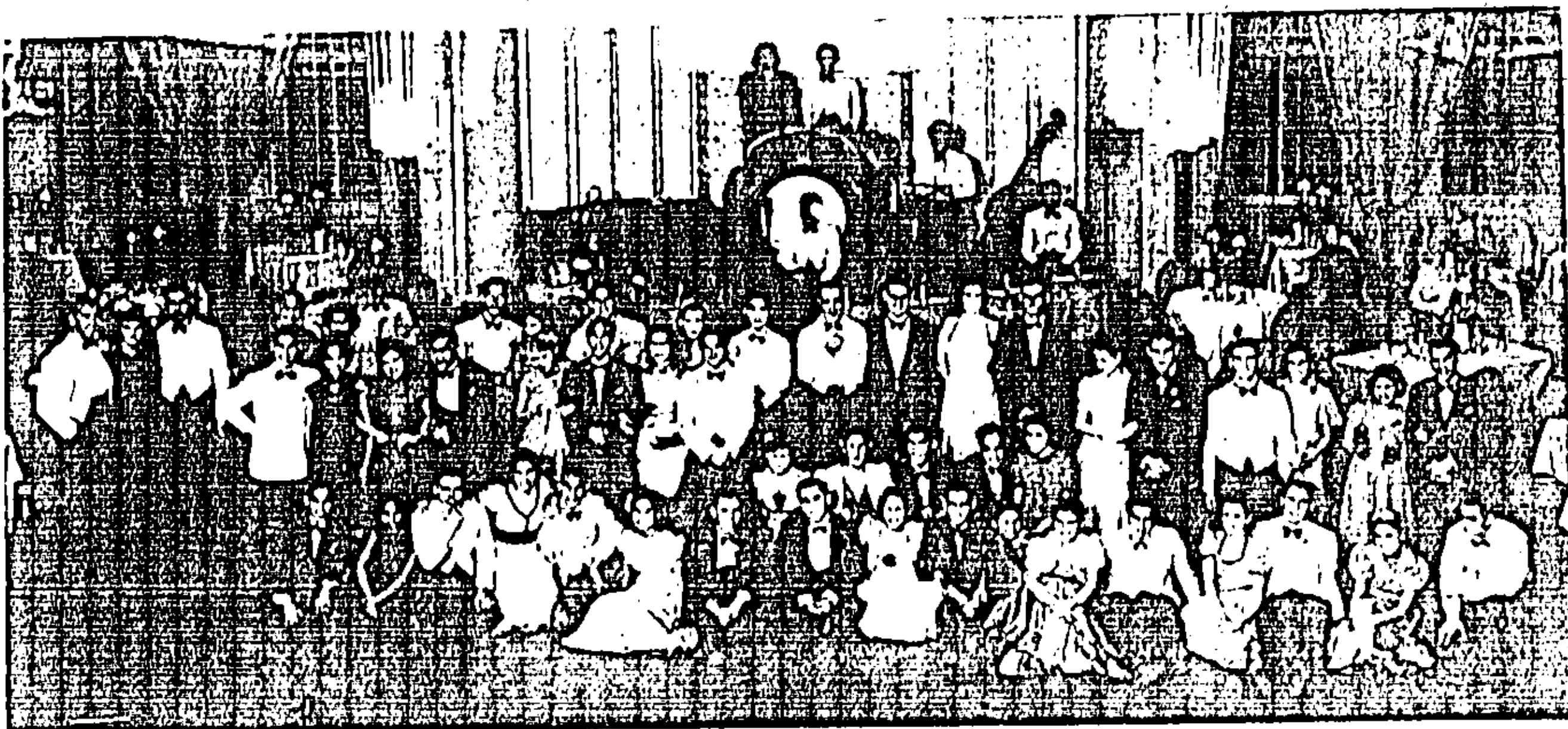
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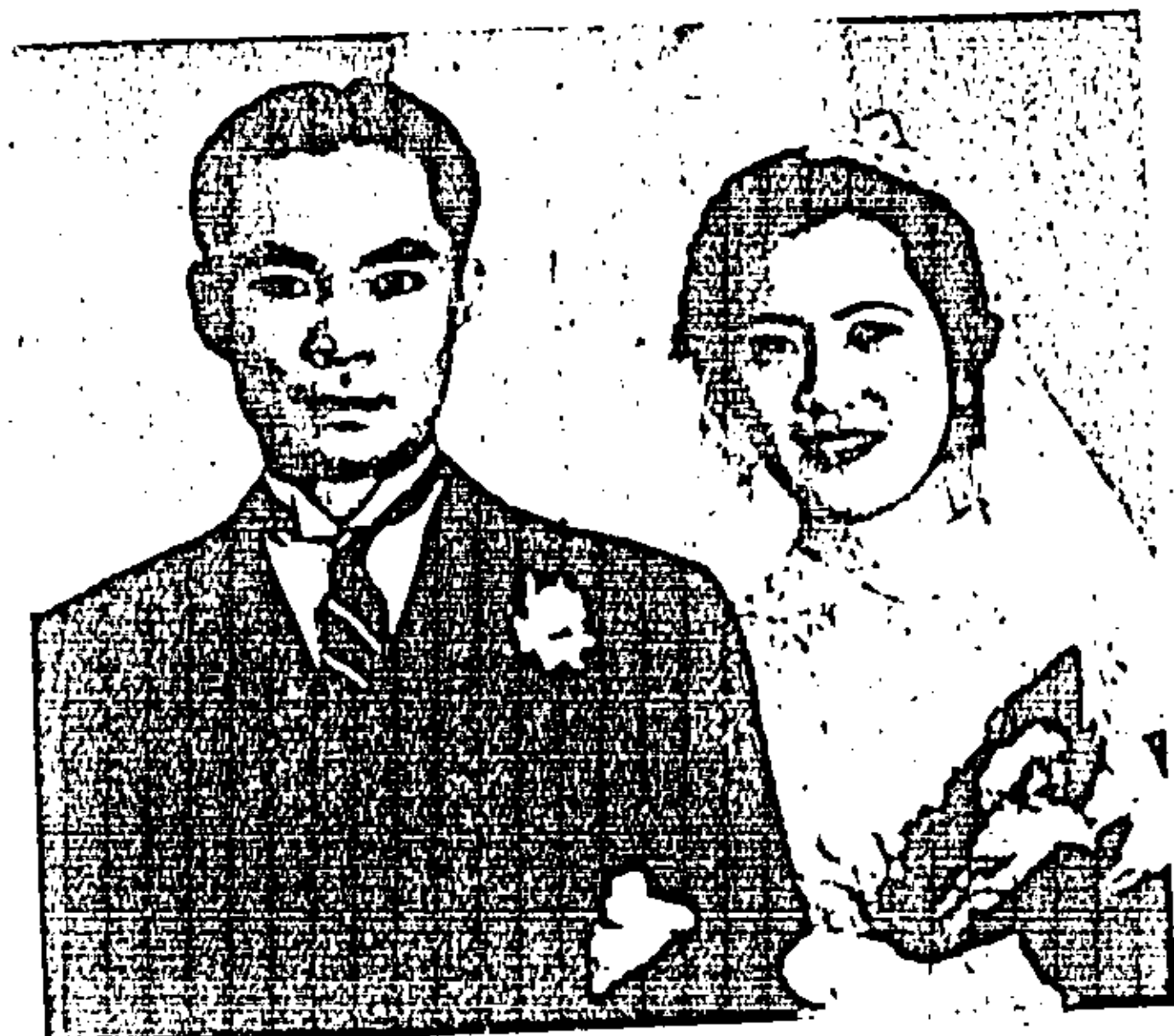
The first annual dinner dance of the League of Pals was held in the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel last Saturday, when this group photograph was taken. (Royal Studio).



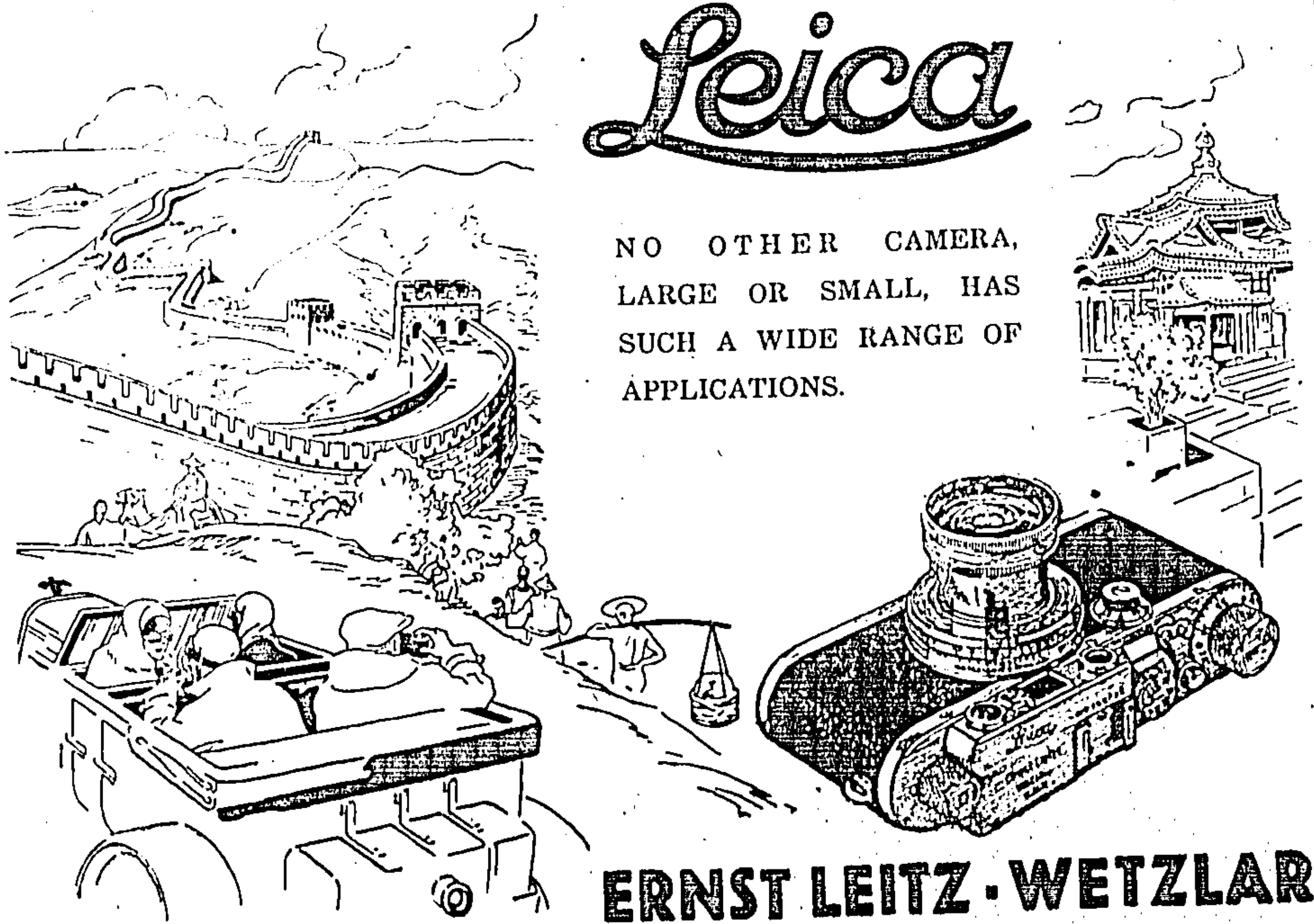
Mr. W. G. Harrison who, with his son and daughter, left in the s.s. Canton yesterday on long leave. (Bann's Studio).



Mr. and Mrs. Aw Boon Haw, who are well-known in both local and Malayan circles, arrived in the Colony recently and have taken up residence in the Haw Bow Mansions. (Bann's Studio).



Dr. Raymond H. Tseng and his bride, the former Miss Lily See, who were married at All Saints' Church on April 22nd. The bridegroom is a Professor of Chemistry at the University of Shanghai, and in the employ of the China Vegetable Oil Corp., in Hong Kong. (Bann's Studio).



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Mr. R. J. Everett, M.B.E., Senior Inspector of Works of the Public Works Department, who celebrated his 55th birthday recently. (Bann's Studio).

ARE THE VOLUNTEERS GENEROUSLY EQUIPPED?

Sir, — In a recent issue of one of the local papers there appeared an article which stated that the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps was now generously equipped. It was admitted that past criticisms may have been justified but that the Corps is now being most generously provided for. If it is true that the Corps is meeting with such success after having been neglected for such a long time I am sure it would be interesting to the members to be able to know what the Government's generosity has provided.

This letter is not written for the purpose of belittling the efforts of the Commandant or of the other members of the Corps. Everyone of them give up much of their valuable time and receive little in return. To be a Hong Kong Volunteer is to know what a heart-breaking job it can be to a fellow trying to make himself efficient but lacking the essentials with which to do so, particularly in this high minded Colony where to wear a uniform is considered to be rather "infra dig" unless it happens to be the Naval Volunteer uniform (Conscription may alter this opinion).

Defence Tax?

Let us try to avoid the calamity that the Territorials experienced in 1914 and nearly experienced again in 1938 (twenty four years after and the lesson not yet learnt) due to the lack of sufficient equipment.

Why not have a Defence Tax for the Colony and let the burden be shared equally, the same as in other parts of the Empire.

It is the big firms here and their interests that we shall have to protect. Then let them pay for protection which will most pro-

German People Expected Hitler To Be More Violent

FEELING OF SUSPENSE DISAPPEARS

Berlin, Yesterday.

The feeling of suspense and tense expectation which prevailed throughout Germany before the Fuehrer had spoken, has given way to a more optimistic mood.

While all life had practically stood still during the two and a half hours when the population of the Reich gathered around loudspeakers in factories and office buildings or in their own homes to hear the Fuehrer's pronouncement, the streets, cafes, restaurants of the capital presented most animated scenes in the afternoon.

Discussed chiefly were the Government's proposals to the Polish Government which had become known to the people only through the speech.

Surprise was generally expressed that the Poles had decided not to avail themselves of the occasion for a definite settlement with the Reich.

The Fuehrer's declaration that the naval agreement with England and the nonaggression pact with Poland are to be regarded as no longer existent, is unanimously approved and the view appears to be generally taken that this does not imply intensification of the crisis.

The commentaries of the German press show calm composure. Editorials of most papers are written by the chief editors who firmly endorse the Fuehrer's policy. Many contain sarcastic references to Roosevelt's telegram.

"SEA OF LAUGHTER"

The "Voelkischer Beobachter," calls the Fuehrer's speech "merciless criticism which the American President has drawn upon himself as result of his ill-considered message."

The Fuehrer's reply to the Roosevelt telegram, is summed up in one word "Versailles." "Angriff" declares that as soon as the names Syria and Palestine were mentioned, the figure of the President, as author of the telegram, was drowned in a sea of laughter. Never before, says the paper, did statesmen who attempted to interfere in the affairs of other people, play such a lamentable role as Roosevelt played in the Friday speech before the Reichstag of the German nation.—Trans-Ocean.

DANZIG— ONLY A MATTER OF TIME

Danzig, Yesterday.

Hitler's speech was received with "enthusiastic jubilation" by the Danzig population.

Hitler's words "Danzig will never become a Polish city" are generally interpreted as meaning that Danzig's return to Germany "is only a matter of time." —Trans-Ocean.

PREMIER OFF TO CHEQUERS

London, Yesterday.

The Prime Minister is spending the week-end at Chequers and left London yesterday afternoon. —British Wireless.

NEW MINISTER

London, Yesterday.

The King has approved the appointment of Sir Charles Michael Palairre, formerly Minister at Vienna, to be Minister at Athens in succession to Sir Sidney W...

DAY OF IMPORTANT CONSEQUENCES

Berlin, Yesterday.

The first German press comment on Hitler's speech, in "Lokal Anzeiger," tries to make out that the speech has "clarified the situation by informing a world alarmed by war rumours and war propaganda of Germany's intentions."

After saying that the speech will result in diplomatic discussions "for months to come," the paper thinks that April 28 will be a day of important consequences.

The paper calls President Roosevelt "a convicted cheat," and refers to "the other pseudo-statesmen who aided and abetted him in his poker game with marked cards."

Hitler has now cleared the table, however.

WARNING TO FRANCE

The "Nachtausgabe" says: "The speech is such a complete settlement with the folly and meanness of the Democratic tactics that Democratic statesmen will never again be anxious to interfere with German domestic or foreign affairs."

Particular significance is attached by the paper to the warning to France not to misinterpret Germany's attitude, as well as the denunciation of the Naval Treaty with Britain and the Polish Treaty.

"The German answer to the policy of encirclement should be received with due care by those to whom the reply is addressed."

A CATECHISM

The "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" calls the speech a catechism of German policy.

Turning to Hitler's remarks on Anglo-German relations, the paper says that Britain herself must freely decide whether she wants to say "Yes" or "No."

While Germany would prefer the former, even British opposition would not prevent her carrying out her aims in Europe. —Trans-Ocean.

FATHER ASKS FOR SON TO BE GAOLED

"I CAN'T DO A THING WITH HIM, YOUR WORSHIP. PLEASE PUT HIM IN PRISON WHERE HE BELONGS. YESTERDAY I TOLD HIM I WOULD BEAT HIM, AND HE THREATENED TO STRIKE BACK IF I DARED DO SO."

This was the plea at Kowloon yesterday of Tam Sai-lung, father of Tam Fuk-yu, 20, who was charged with having twice stolen his father's property.

The father said he had tried to change his son's ways, but he no longer obeyed him. He suggested that Mr. E. Himsforth put him into prison for a while, and to let him out in time to catch a boat which leaves in June for Mexico.

The Magistrate placed the son on a \$20 bond for one year, and said that if he stole anything else, no matter if it were only a hat, he would send him to prison.



Mr. E. R. Walch, Chartered Accountant, of Messrs. Lowe, Blingham & Matthews, and his bride, the former Miss Dorothy Olivia Dransfield, who were married at Union Church.

bably cost us our lives.

In the Volunteers to-day there are many men whose bodies bear the battle-scars of the Great War who yet still carry on. All they ask is that the lessons learnt at

great sacrifice to themselves and others be put into practice now. That is to let us be well trained and well equipped.

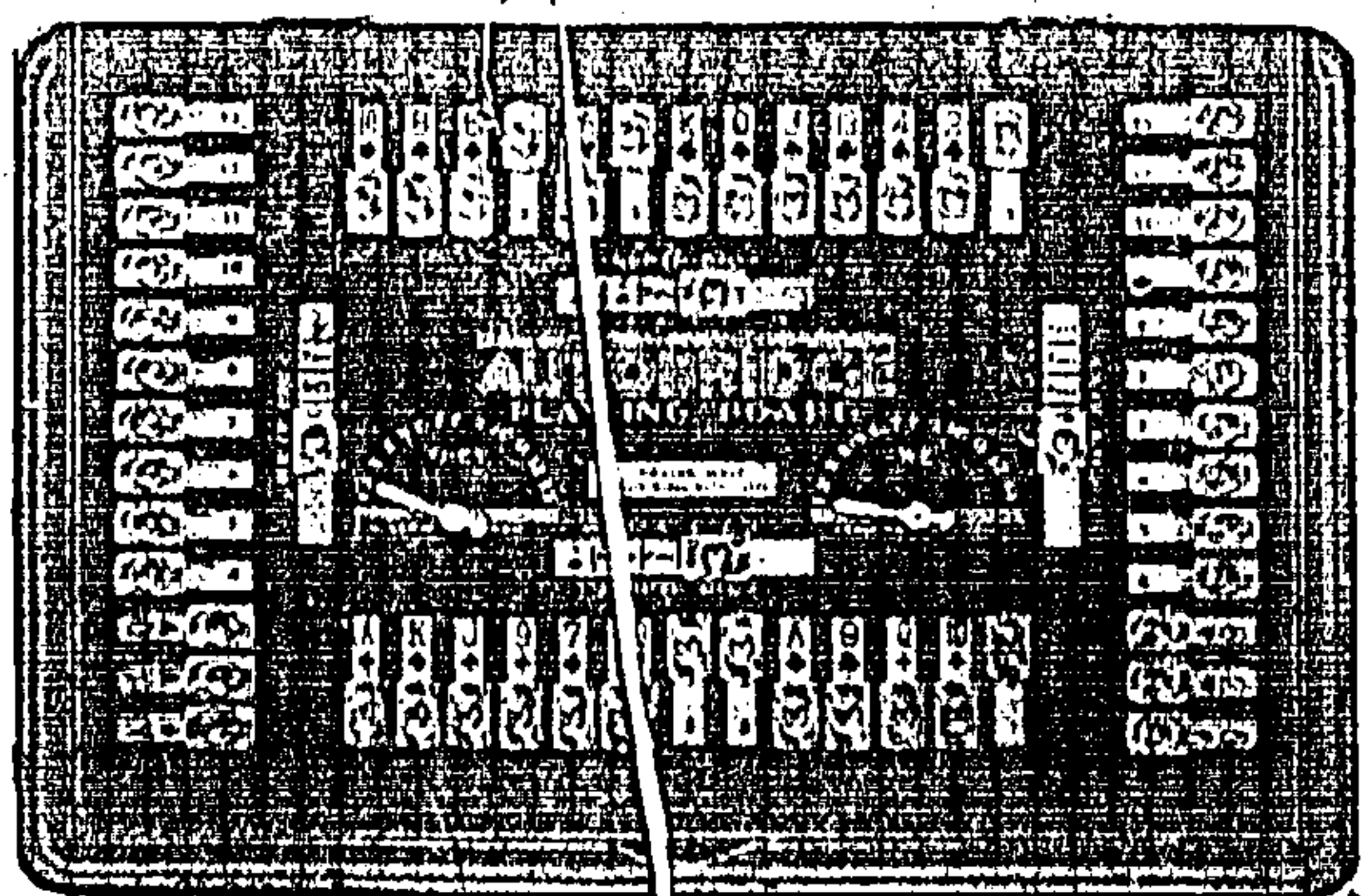
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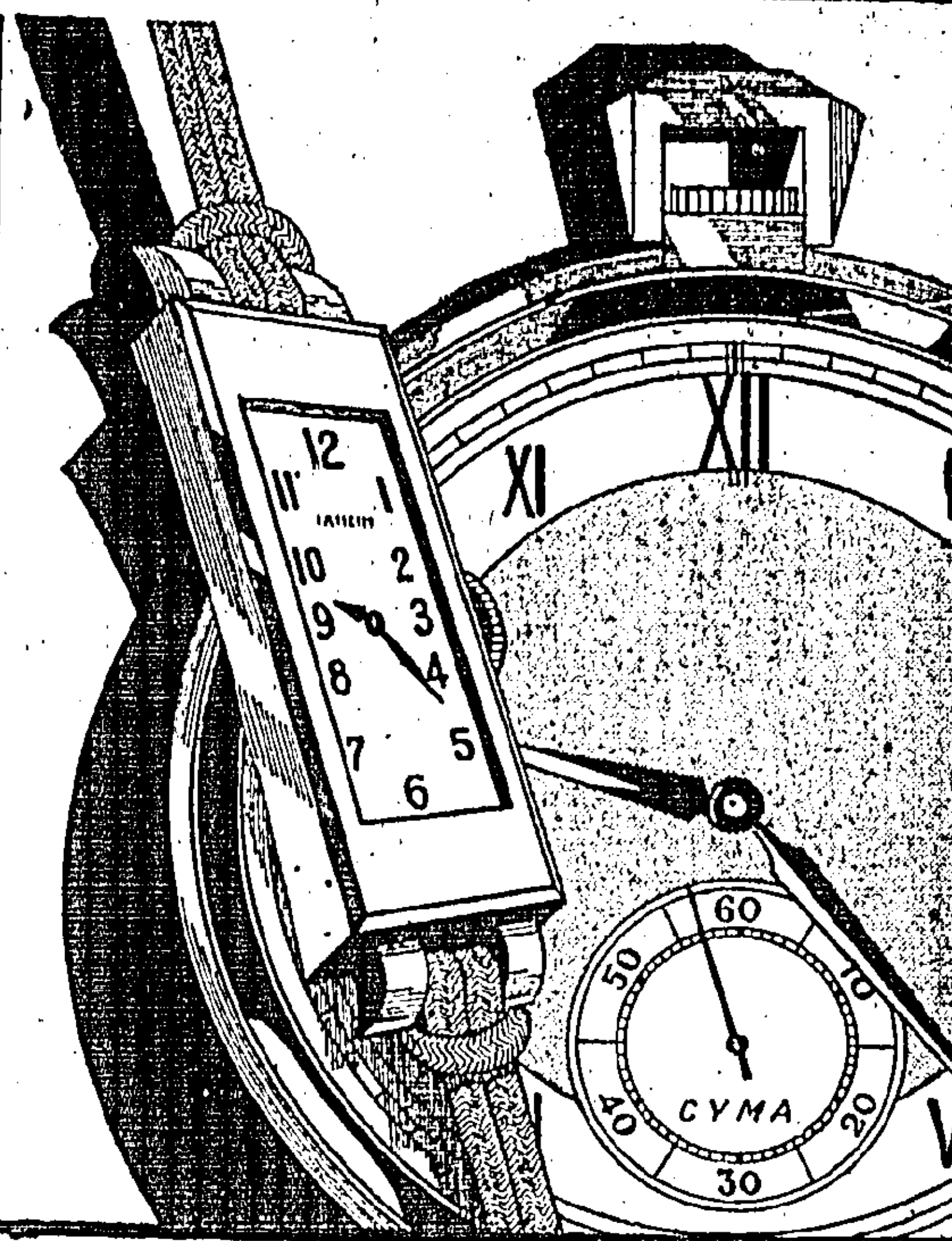
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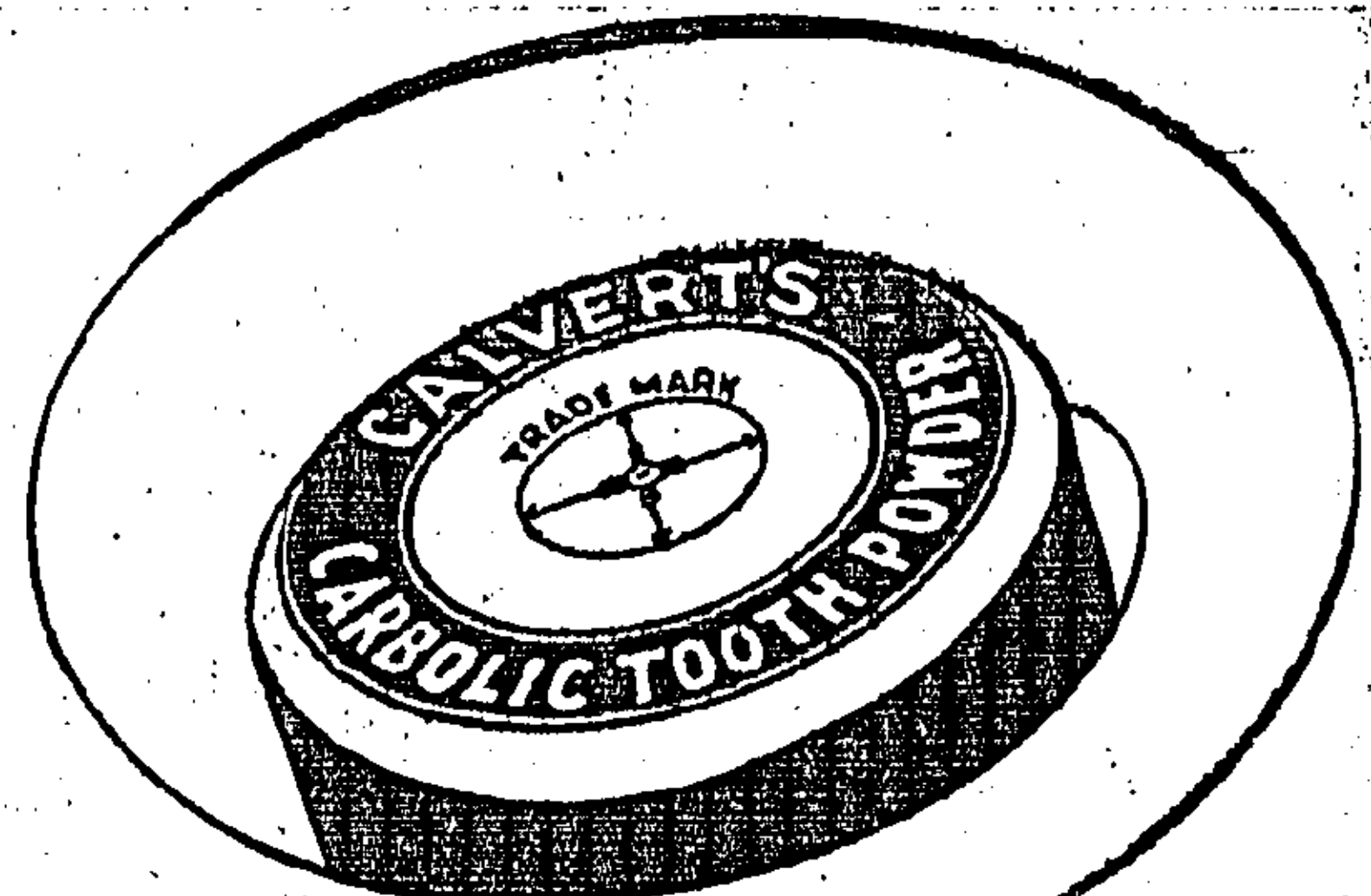
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Crusader Out Of Season

THE S.S. *Cadiz* of the P. & O. partly due to his being one of the line, outward bound from Liverpool to Hong Kong carried as one of her passengers a tall, hawthorned Englishman—a man who was destined to cut a tremendous figure in the Colony of his day, and in fact, no one ever since has been more noted for his ardent crusading spirit and his uncompromising hatred of shams.

He was Mr. Thomas Chisholm Anstey, newly appointed Attorney-General, a rugged personality, remarkable for the austerity of his demeanour, and his determination to attack abuses no matter in what quarter they were found, and regardless of the official status of the people who might be affected by his revelations. It may have been just these qualities which caused the Secretary of State for the Colonies, Sir William Moleworth, to recommend in October 1855 his nomination to England's recently acquired possession off the coast of southern China, but his appointment was

most eminent jurists of the period. MR. THOMAS CHISHOLM ANSTEY was born in London in the year 1816, and was the second son of Mr. Thomas Anstey of Anstey-Barton, Van Diemen's Land (Tasmania). He was educated at Wellington, Somersetshire and at the University College, London, and after being called to the Bar at the Middle Temple at the age of 23, he spent some years in the practice of his profession. Like many other young Englishmen of that day, he became interested in the Oxford Movement, and like his friend, John Henry Newman, he became a member of the Roman Catholic Church in 1845. Shortly after his conversion to Catholicism, he became Professor of Law and Jurisprudence at the College of St. Peter and St. Paul in Bath. His professional activities earned for him an immense reputation, and he was invited to stand for

office, and managed to put in a term in Parliament as a member for the borough of Youghal, County Cork, Ireland. Such was Anstey's previous career before his arrival in Hong Kong.

What were his thoughts on that January day in 1856 as he first surveyed the magnificent panorama of the Island that was to be the scene of his official labours for the next two years or so, are not recorded. He may have been

By 'PRENDERGAST'

delighted with the scenery, as he undoubtedly was, but he was more concerned with the people with whom he was to come into contact. He soon began to notice the weaknesses and vices of Hong Kong's officialdom, and these stirred his ardent spirit. It was not long before even the Governor himself came under his sudden condemnation, and the feud between the two men became a historic one.

in the administration. Their names included that of the Chief Justice, J. W. Hulme, the Registrar-General, Mr. D. R. Caldwell, the Colonial Secretary, Dr. W. T. Bridges, the Superintendent of Police, Mr. Charles May, the Sheriff, Mr. W. H. Mitchell, and numerous others.

Indictments against the administration were of a sweeping nature, and included almost every conceivable sort of charge, the Chief Justice, for instance, had been accused of intemperance, and through that of incompetence when on the Bench.

BUT Mr. Anstey's *bête noir* was Mr. D. R. Caldwell, the Registrar-General and Protector of Chinese. In this instance, he had practically a clear case; for the irregularities of Mr. Caldwell were notorious even in that day of easy-going official consciences.

Mr. Caldwell was a man who combined the bland countenance and unctuous behaviour of a Tammany Hall politician with the fierce and untamed heart of a tiger. But he was too firmly entrenched in office to be removed except by an avalanche. And Mr. Anstey was determined to provide the necessary momentum. Accordingly, he brought nineteen separate charges ranging all the way from accusing Caldwell of being a friend and protector of pirates, and a notorious brothel baron, to that of getting his "cut" from the prostitution racket of the Colony. The complete list makes amazing reading, and the interested reader may find the details in Mr. Norton-Kyshe's "History of the Laws and Courts of Hong Kong."

Mr. Caldwell, the subject of these charges was naturally alarmed, and with his brother official, Dr. W. T. Bridges, prevailed upon the Governor to lend his support in the quashing of the indictments. If Mr. Anstey had been more charitable to Sir John Bowring on the occasion of his speech before the Royal Asiatic Society, he might have had a better chance of proving the truth of his charges, which would have brought about Mr. Caldwell's dismissal at once instead of several years later under the administration of another Governor. At the time, however, the charges against Mr. Caldwell were not substantiated in a public enquiry which was made, although there was a solid basis for a large majority of the nineteen counts, as was proven later at a second enquiry under other auspices.

THE time, however, was not ripe for the cleansing of the Augean stables of local corruption, and the regime which was greatly alarmed lest the shortcomings of its members should be aired before the world, prevailed upon Sir John Bowring to have Mr. Anstey "sacked" from office. On August 7, 1858, the Executive Council met and voted for his dismissal. The Governor, nothing loath, and still smarting from the remembrance of Mr. Anstey's criticism of his lecture, wrote a lengthy despatch to the Secretary of State, Sir Edward Bulwer-Lytton which had the desired effect, and on March 17, 1859, Mr. Anstey was dismissed from office and ordered to return home.

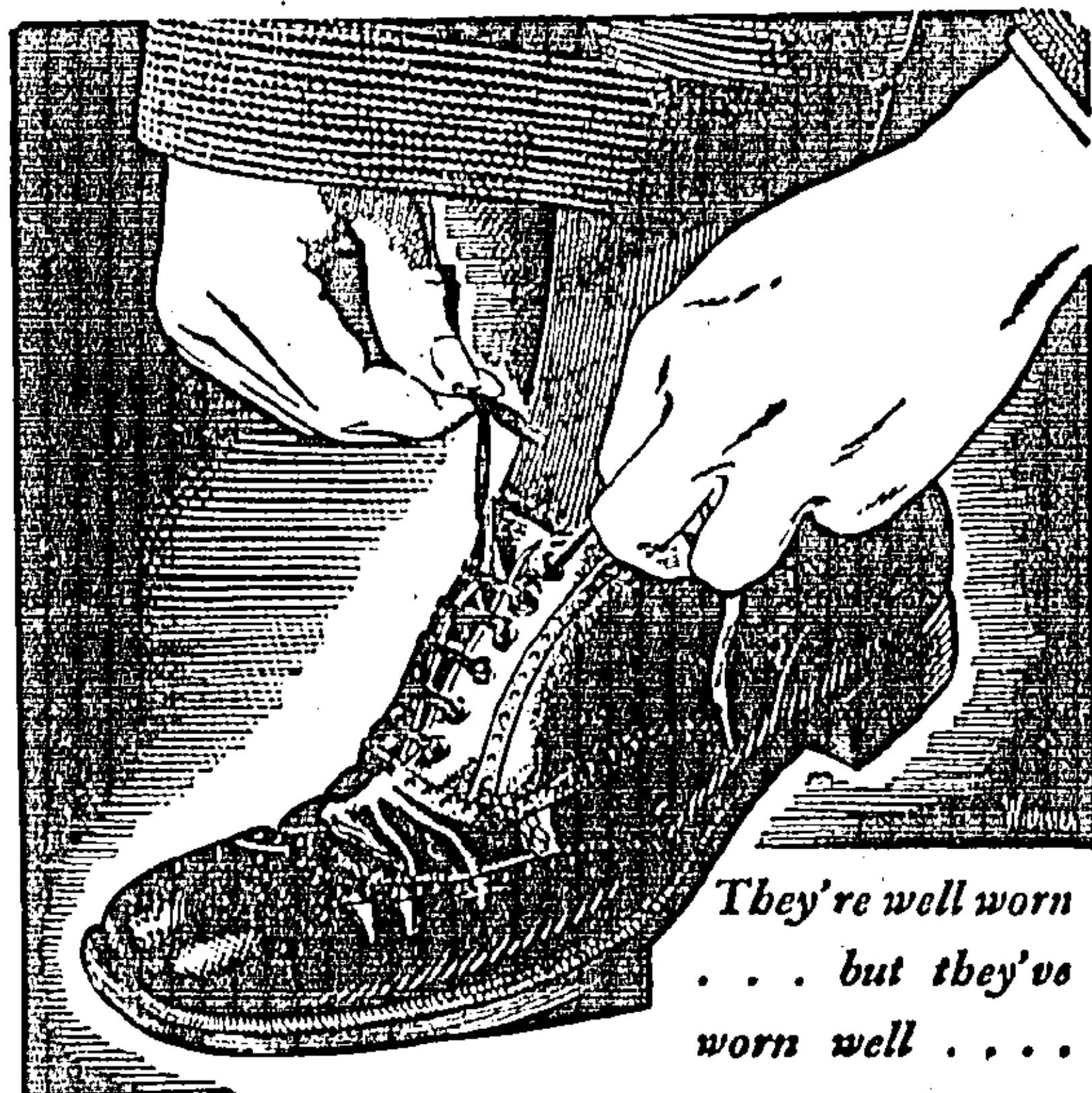
Mr. Anstey realising that corruption was too deeply embedded in the coterie of Sir John's subordinates for him to make much of an impression on local abuses, as the Governor himself was determined to "white wash" his administration, therefore decided not to await the official confirmation of Sir John's mandate of dismissal, and left in January 1859—two months before the Secretary of State's decision reached the Colony.

His work, which had so unfortunately failed, was, however, to bear fruit; and during the administration of Sir Hercules Robinson who was the next Governor, most of his charges against the officials of Sir John Bowring's regime were confirmed.

MR. ANSTEY afterwards went to India, where he did valuable work in clearing up abuses which had cropped up under British rule in that land. His death in Bombay, on August 19, 1873, was greatly lamented for with his passing, England lost one of her most conscientious servants, "a man far too capable, too restless, too indefatigable for a small office."

MR. ANSTEY was specially distinguished as an investigator, and like a "snooper" of the American prohibition era, he was soon in possession of a formidable array of information, which if revealed, was certain to cause the widest repercussions.

The whole of Hong Kong officialdom was considered by Mr. Anstey to be rotten to the core, and very soon he had amassed sufficient evidence to accuse the official circle of gross incompetence and lack of conscience. Not only was the Governor involved, but the whole of the officialdom



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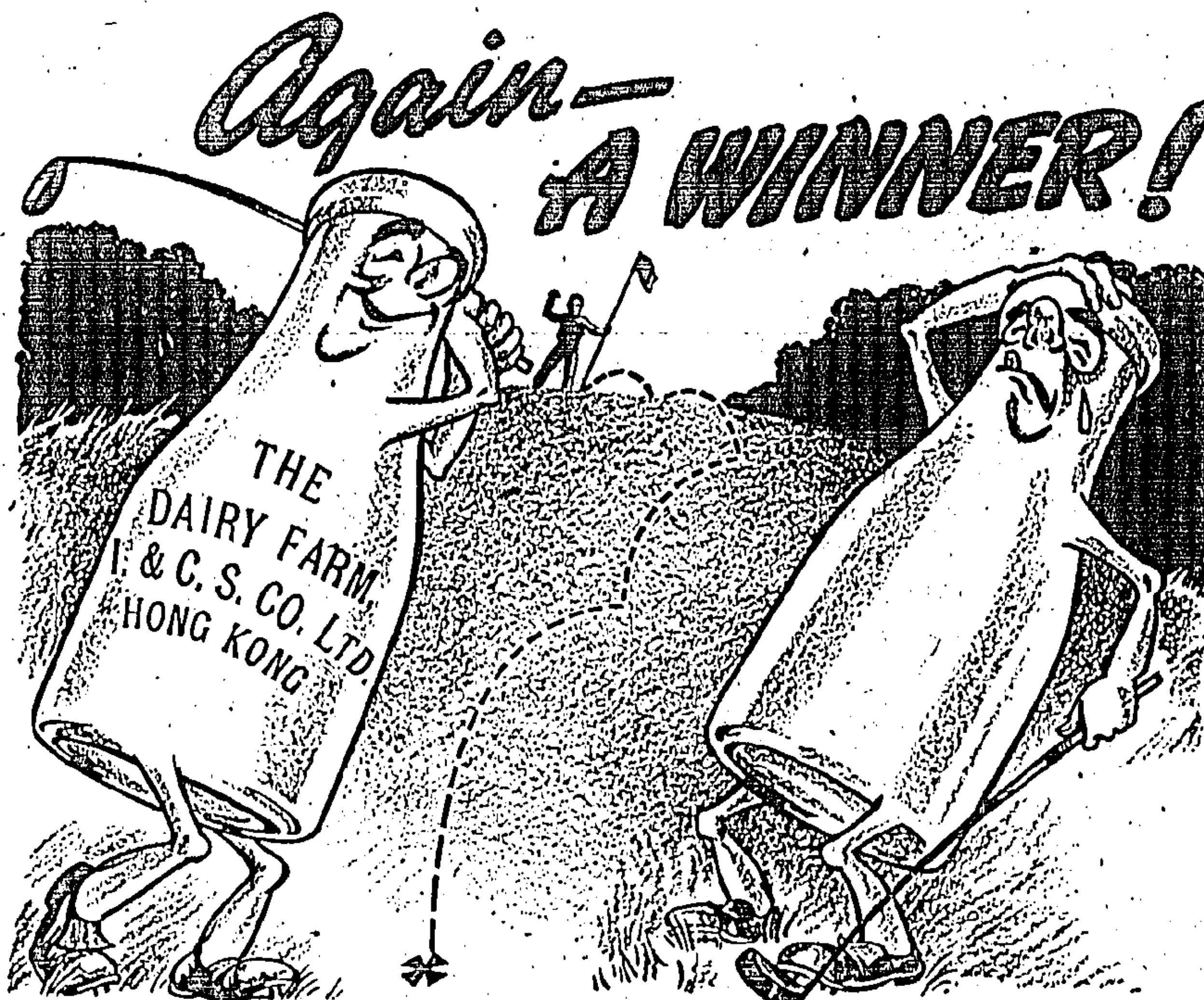
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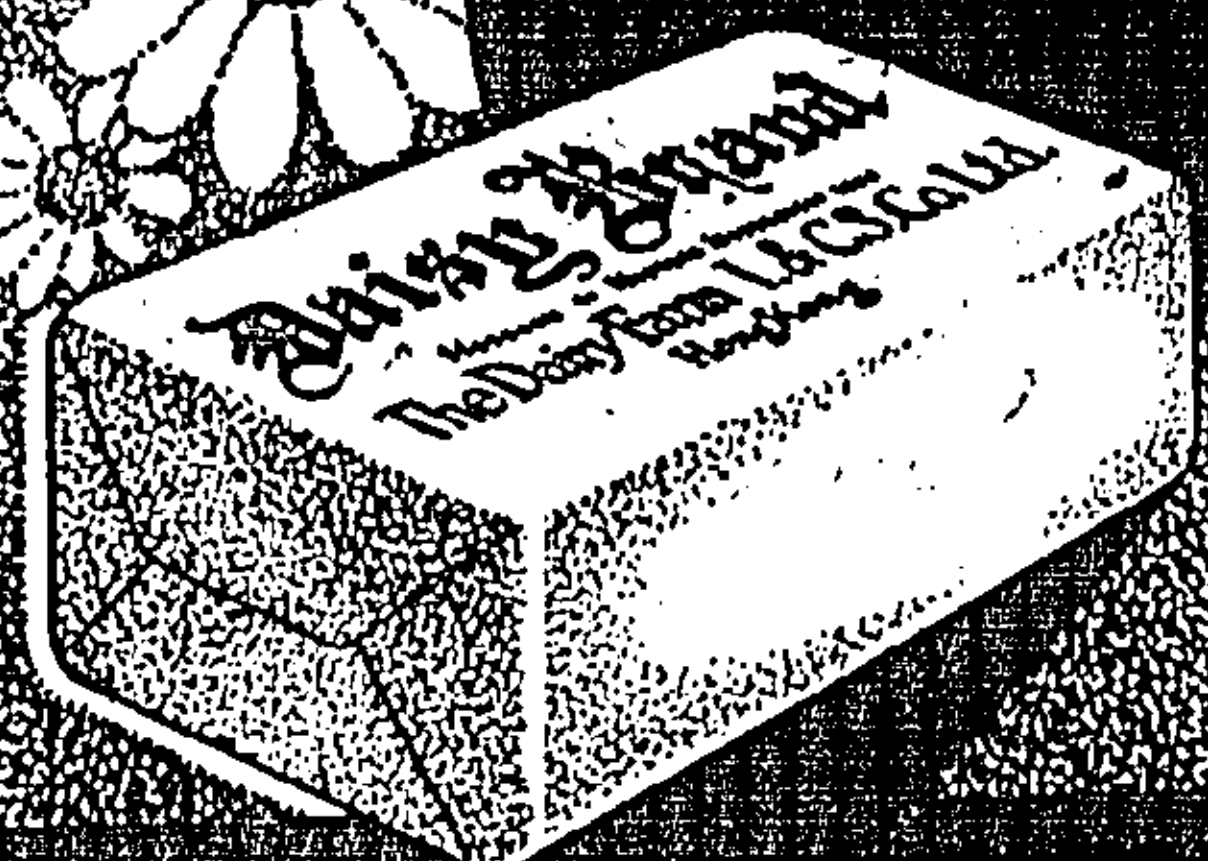
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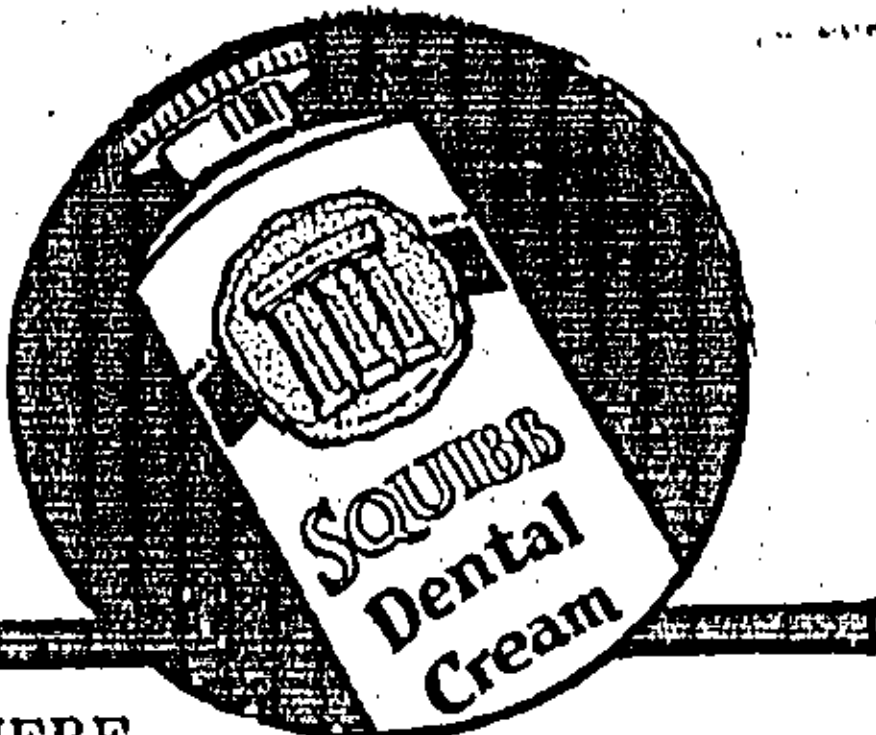
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A newspaper informs me that in Madrid there has been a "Conscription of Cats." It refers to the fact that Franco has had battalions of cats sent to Madrid for the purpose of killing the armies of rats and mice bred during the siege.

Apropos of this, the Journal in question proceeds to remind me of the extent to which cats were used for similar purposes in the last war. Large numbers of them were sent into trenches, submarines and naval stores to liquidate the vermin.

In times of peace also they are used in this manner for civil and military purposes, and their wages, in kind, are paid for by the taxpayer.

And rightly so. But why call this conscription?

To anyone who has met cats socially, the phrase "conscription of cats" is a contradiction in terms.

The mere idea of trying to make a cat do anything it doesn't want to do will raise a laugh, both on and off the hearthrug.

These cats are cleaning up the rats because they like it, and for no other reason. If they did not like ratting; if, in fact, ratting was not one of their favourite sports, nothing would have persuaded them to touch a single rat.

Threats would have been in vain. Faced with the whole array of Franco's victorious armies, and ordered to advance onwards on pain of death, they would have remained times over, rather than obey.

I know the steadfastness of this exemplary beast and the pride of independence that is his. You cannot make a cat do even what he wants to do, if he suspects that you have an ulterior motive. Exploitation is anathema to his proud spirit.

Mr. Richard Aldington, the novelist, has somewhere recorded an incident which illustrates this admirable characteristic. He pos-

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sessed, he says, a cat that was a wonderful rat-catcher. Wishing to display the animal's prowess to some friends, he placed the cat down in a chicken run, where a large rat had been observed.

Perceiving that the enterprise was for the spectators' benefit and not for his, the cat glanced indifferently at the rat, swept a contemptuous eye over the crowd, and walked away, leaving the rat in perfect health.

So would it have been with the cats of Madrid had they reason to suspect that they were being brought to the city to serve a purely utilitarian purpose as municipal employees.

It needed but one cat to get wind of the scheme, and the hunt would have been called off.

Rats could have come and played round them; recognition, personal and official, would have been withheld. Not a paw would have been raised. The strict avoidance of rats would immediately have become the first article of a cat's religion.

No such suspicion, happily, has yet crossed their minds. For cats have their own peculiar interpretation of human activities; and by those terms of reference they know that the Spanish Civil War was undertaken solely to provide them with well-fed rats.

There is some justification for this view. For a cursory glance through the pages of history would suggest that cats are the only creatures who have ever benefited from a war.

I am concerned to protest against this "conscription" of cats with the idea of conscription. Re-

speak for those who are too darned cocky to speak for themselves. He is, in short, a bally masel.

Permit me, therefore, to moralise a little upon this amiable and comely beast, whose companionship is one of the greatest compliments that has ever been paid to our species.

The cat is here in our midst as a permanent reminder of certain primary and essential civic virtues. Of these, the most outstanding at this juncture of our affairs is his unfailing resistance to arbitrary compulsion or exploitation.

He is the only animal that has come into the human family without sacrificing his independence. In this respect he is more truly the friend of man even than the dog—but don't tell the dog.

For to the cat, companionship can only exist on a basis of the mutual recognition of equal rights and status. Neither party, he holds, must expect from the other what he is not prepared to give in his turn. Among friends, he says, there may be requests, but not demands.

The horse, the cow, the sheep—these are the slaves of man. Their life is one long conscription. Except that they generally get enough to eat, they might as well be proletariat in a Corporate State.

The dog is the worshipper of man. With all his virtues he is, I regret to say, an idolater (or his owner will want his money back). He panders to the inferiority complex; he does not believe in equality; he believes only in dictatorship, and if you aren't continually dictating to him he gets the hump.

But the cat takes his stand firmly and uncompromisingly upon Democracy. He insists, to a degree seldom observed even among men, upon Liberty and Equality as the only condition of Fraternity.

His friendship is, therefore, even more gratifying than the adoration of the dog. For he trusts us sufficiently to assume that we shall not demand servitude as the price of our ministrations. And that is a great compliment in a mercenary age.

Honour me, Comrade, by accepting this sardine.

He has yet other remarkable traits. In these dark days he comforts the pacifists in their woe by reminding them of eternal truths.

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Professor Lowenstein takes his films in the dark with the help of infra-red rays because visible light causes contraction of the eye pupil.

The patient sits in a chair, his head clamped so that he cannot move, while the film is taken. Suddenly he hears pistol shots and other noises. The shocks cause movements of the pupil of the eye, which register on the film. From the nature of these movements the professor can diagnose the complaint from which the patient is suffering.

"GLOOMY SUNDAY" OVER AGAIN

London, Yesterday. FOR the third time in six days a London coroner has heard that a suicide had followed listening to B.B.C. news of the international situation.

The inquest was on Edmund Daniel O'Reilly, a tram driver, who hanged himself in his bedroom. Mrs. Annie Maria O'Reilly, his sister-in-law, said that O'Reilly, a single man, had suffered from ill-health since last September. He was very worried about war.

MORE AGITATED She added that on Friday O'Reilly seemed to be more agitated after hearing the B.B.C. news. The coroner, Major Dr. H. Whitehouse, recorded a verdict that O'Reilly took his life while the Balance of his Mind was Affected by Ill-health.

Last Friday Major Whitehouse recorded a similar verdict on a 72-

Government To Be Sole Food Importer In Wartime

60,000,000 Ration Cards Ready To Go Out

Rigid System Of Price Control

London, Yesterday.

War-time plans for rationing and controlling the nation's food supplies by a Ministry of Food, which would work through 19 regional offices and 1,400 local committees, are practically complete.

These plans, officially announced by the Food Defence Department, are based on the Government's proposal to become the sole purchaser of all imports and home supplies in the event of war.

This action would eliminate competition and speculation. Prices of all food, except luxuries, would be controlled.

Wholesalers would purchase supplies from the Government and would operate strictly in accordance with the Food Minister's orders.

Retail traders would be registered and licensed by one of the 1,400 local committees operating from the area of every local authority.

They would purchase from wholesalers, at prescribed prices, regular weekly supplies to meet their customers' demands. Prices to the public, fixed by order, would leave a fair margin to the trader for expenses and profit.

Immediately on the outbreak of war five staple commodities

years-old widow who committed suicide after hearing the news on Good Friday evening.

Two days earlier the Walthamstow coroner, Dr. P. B. Skeels, dealing with a 49-years-old woman's suicide, commented:

"The news is not always happily expressed on the wireless. It could often be put in a happier way."

would be rationed. They are: Butchers' meat, butter and margarine, bacon and ham, lard, dripping and other cooking fats, and sugar.

Meat would be rationed by cost; that is, various quantities of different quality could be bought daily within a limited sum. The rest would be rationed by quantity.

RATION CARDS

Rationing of other foodstuffs is not at the moment thought to be necessary or desirable.

In case of emergency 19,000,000 household application forms and 60,000,000 ration cards are ready for immediate distribution.

A more detailed scheme is being worked out, and is nearly ready, whereby 80,000,000 ration cards will be available, providing additional rations for different classes of workers.

Food Control Committees, controlling these local arrangements, could be established at a few hours' notice. Local food executive officers on the committee would usually be clerks to the local council. They would be assisted by representatives of the main classes of consumers and by a minority of trades representatives.

REGIONAL POWERS

Most questions of policy would be decided by the 19 regional or divisional offices, which would, in effect, be decentralised branches of the Food Ministry.

It is reckoned that ten days at least would be needed to transfer private trading to the Government-controlled system on the outbreak of emergency.

Afterwards buying and shipment would be entirely in the hands of the Government. Existing importers would continue to handle imports, but as agents of the Government, and existing commercial organisations would also be used as agents of the Department.

Prices and allocation of all raw materials, whether imported or home-produced, would be controlled. Factories would operate at the Department's directions.

REQUISITION RIGHTS

Control, authorised by a new Defence of the Realm Act, would entitle the Government to requisition stocks of foodstuffs in, or on arrival in, this country. This, it is explained, is essential to regulate the flow of supplies and their prices.

A skeleton Ministry of Food exists. In war-time it would incor-



INSPECTOR GENERAL OF A.R.P. WATCHES A.R.P. DEMONSTRATION.—Wing Commander Hadwell, Inspector General of A.R.P. at the Vauxhall Works, Luton. A comprehensive demonstration was staged.

NAZIS, ALARMED, CURB ACTIVITY IN BRITAIN

London, Yesterday.

Fearing that action will be taken against them, Nazi leaders in Britain have ordered their 48 centres throughout the country to "go easy."

In letters written by hand, the leaders of the centres have been told to curb their activities.

The letters were sent out by the leaders of the four "districts" into which Britain has been divided for Nazi organisation purposes after a conference. Representatives of the German Labour Front and the Germans Abroad Association were also there.

The Nazi leaders are alarmed at Home Office and Special Branch investigations into their activities. They fear, too, that further action against them may follow questions which were asked Parliament last week.

The letters, which are written on unheaded notepaper, tell the centre leaders:—"The political situation forces us to close our ranks."

"Make sure that neither carelessness nor over-confidence will damage the Reich and its representatives abroad irretrievably."

"The greatest care is necessary in our attitude towards the people of the country in which we are staying."

"Political statements must not be made to strangers."

"Limitation of our activities has become necessary."

Further details of this limitation, say the letters, will be issued shortly.

INQUIRY SOUGHT

The Home Secretary refused in the House of Commons this week to appoint a Committee of Inquiry to investigate the activity of pro-Nazi organisations in this country.

operate the Wheat, Livestock and Sugar Commissions and the Potato Marketing Board. The Milk Marketing Board would continue to function separately. — Our Own Correspondent.



Passing through an archway of hockey sticks, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Biles, who were married on Thursday at St. Andrew's. Mrs. Biles was formerly Miss Rayella Gittins, interpost hockey player.

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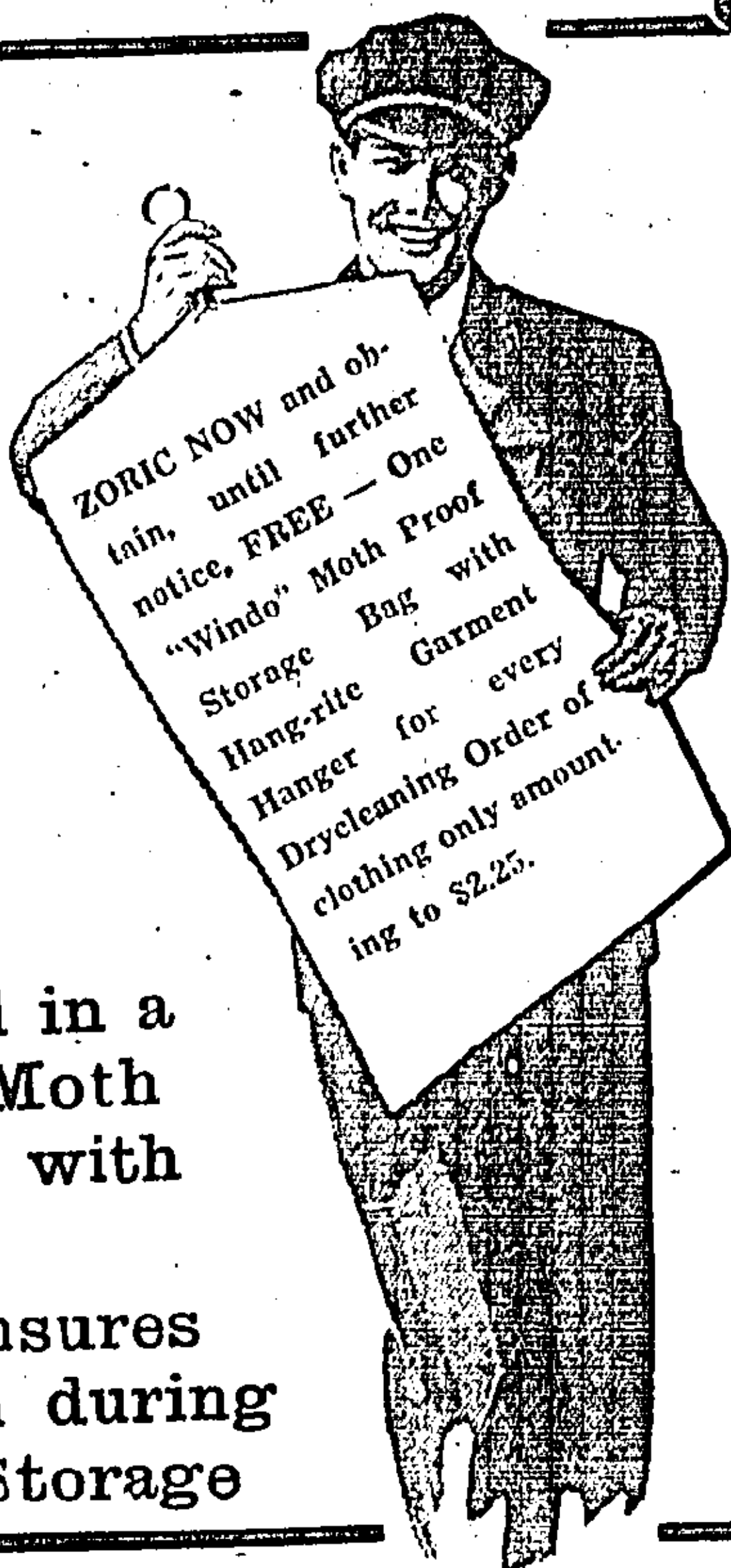
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Thursday's Momentous Debate on Conscription Exposed
The Truth Of The Charge In This Article That
The Labour Party Has Failed to Keep Abreast Of the Times

The Caucus Behind

THERE is no more remarkable phenomenon to post-war dull British politics than the failure of the Labour Party. To what causes must it be attributed?

It is now fifteen years since the first Labour Government was formed and it then seemed certain that Labour was destined to inherit the position in the state hitherto occupied by the Liberal Party. Since then it is hardly an exaggeration to say that the Labour Party has made no progress whatever. At repeated General Elections they have failed to obtain an independent majority and at the by-elections that have taken place during the last three and a half years whatever fate has befallen the Government candidate the Labour figures have remained obstinately stationary.

YET it was surely to be expected that in a country where all men and women have the vote and where the great majority of voters are very poor, a Party which is largely composed of working men, which professes to have the cause of the working man closest to its heart, and which has never been shy of making attractive promises would rapidly acquire a following large enough to give it at least a temporary victory over all competitors.

Sound Parliamentary institutions demand a powerful opposition and a possible alternative government. For this reason the incompetence of the Labour Party in recent years has been a source of weakness to Great Britain. In moments when political philosophy takes the place of party politics in our minds that is a fact which we are all willing to admit, but as the date of the General Election draws near we cannot overcome the inclination to rejoice at the misfortunes of our opponents or resist the temptation to do all in our power to increase their embarrassment. We are like the Eton boy who admits that in theory it would be a good thing if the other side were sometimes victorious at cricket but who on the morning of the match hopes devoutly that this year Harrow will be soundly beaten.

THE first causes of Labour's failure is the fact that the party remains so firmly and faithfully wedded to Socialism. When all the world was young—or at least when I was—Socialism made an attractive bride. She was young herself, she was very fashionable, she seemed likely to inherit great possessions and, it was whispered that she was rather wicked. But now we have all known Socialism so long that she has lost her glamour. She has no future but an ugly past. In Russia she has become criminal, in Germany she has turned nationalist and in England she has

avoid presenting your enemy with a target—give him nothing to aim at. In politics Government is obliged to present a series of targets to the enemy. Every measure they bring forward is something to aim at, and every world event can be turned into a target at which the Opposition can snipe from the trenches on the left of the Chair. A wise opposition confines itself to such activities and produces neither a programme nor a political theory which can only give their opponents opportunity for counterattack.

By The Rt. Hon.
**ALFRED
DUFF-COOPER**

rousing anti-Socialist speech. Socialism provides the widest target in the world and can be alleged to stand for almost anything from free trade to free love. Until Labour jettisons Socialism as completely as the Liberals have jettisoned "laissez faire" they have little hope of capturing the electorate.

Another cause of Labour's failure is lack of leadership and inferiority of personnel. We hear it frequently stated that all the clever young men at the Universities are Socialists. But what happens to those clever young men when they go down? They never find their way into the House of Commons.

LABOUR supporters are fond of sneering at the late Mr. Ramsay MacDonald. They should refrain from doing so until they have produced a single more distinguished political personality. His defection, together with that of the late Lord Snowden and Mr. J. H. Thomas, was a loss to the Labour Front Bench that has never been made good. The opposition which faces Mr. Chamberlain to-day in the House of Commons is less formidable than that which faced Lord Baldwin ten years ago. And yet the Labour Party chooses such a moment under the shadow of a General Election to expel not only from their ranks the most intelligent of their recruits and the one with the largest following in the country—and at the same time they rededicate themselves to all the outworn and unpopular shibboleths of Socialism. Human folly could hardly go further. It is as though a man were so set upon self destruction that he took a double-barrelled gun to the task and pressed both triggers simultaneously.

THIS brings us to the third main cause of the Labour Party's failure. The Party is not a self-governing body. Those leaders who sit in the House of Commons direct neither the policy of the party, nor that of the principal newspaper which expounds it to the public. Behind them all the time, controlling the finances and pulling the strings, sits that formidable caucus, the T.U.C. A Parliamentary Party which must take orders from a non-parliamentary body is fighting at an immense disadvantage, like a man-at-arms commanded from the shore instead of from the bridge. I remember seeing the position of Mr. Ramsay

Macdonald during the days of the General Strike when momentous decisions were being taken by the T.U.C. of which he, ex-Prime Minister and Leader of the Labour Party, was not even a member.

WHATEVER critics may say of the House of Commons it does remain a popular assembly in the true sense of the word, Transport House.

that is to say it keeps in touch with and reflects the varying moods and passions of the people. The men who work there must therefore be the best judges of political times and seasons and the importance of political personalities. To rob them of control is to condemn them to frustration—to send them into battle with ropes round their necks, the other ends of which are held in the hands of the Opposition.

Let the British Labour Party abandon the stale dogmas of nineteenth century Socialism, let them suppress the practice of heresy hunting, let them put the T.U.C. in its place and they may yet come to perform satisfactorily the responsible role of His Majesty's Opposition.

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Herr von Ribbentrop, Nazi Foreign Minister, gave a dinner in Berlin in honour of Dr. Gregori Gafencu, Rumanian Foreign Minister, who was in Germany last week for discussions on trade and the European situation. A "far-reaching" agreement on questions concerning both nations was announced. Photo shows Dr. Gafencu and Herr von Ribbentrop, accompanied by the Rumanian Ambassador, Radu Crutcescu, inspecting the guard of honour when the former left Berlin.

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**Now Convinced
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London, Yesterday.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir John Simon, speaking in London yesterday afternoon, said he believed the country was far more united in support of compulsory service than the minority vote in the Commons last night might suggest.

It would indeed be a terrible thing if the country, after full reflection, were seriously divided on such an issue at such a time.

"But on that point I have special experience which, in the public interest, I recall to-day. I am the only member of the present Cabinet who sat in the Cabinet of Mr. Asquith in the days of the War.

"Nearly a quarter of a century ago, I felt it my duty to resign from that Government, of which I was then a junior member, on the issue of conscription, largely because I feared that the introduction of compulsion, following the immense voluntary effort which this country had made, would divide and so weaken the nation.

ONE DESIRE

"I thought so then, as sincerely as any opponent who voted in the lobby last night, thinks now.

"My one desire then was to see my country strong and united in its championship of liberty and its resistance to the domination of force, just as I am sure this is the desire of every patriotic man or woman to-day in all parties.

"But events proved that my fears were not realised, and I feel convinced that history will repeat itself and that the policy which is now being carried through by the United Government will receive in the end the country's general support."—British Wireless.

**KINGSLEY WOOD'S
ENDORSEMENT**

London, Yesterday.

Sir Kingsley Wood, the Air Minister, speaking in London yesterday afternoon, said that the British Government, with the full assent of the whole nation, had taken a new and momentous course in its international policy and had entered upon heavy and considerable obligations and undertakings to other nations which would never otherwise have been considered or contemplated.

They were not lightly undertaken but we do not shrink from them.

They threaten none. They have no ulterior object but were solely made in order that peace might be kept and because there was not any other course open to any great nation which believed in liberty and freedom, not for themselves alone but throughout the world.

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These new undertakings involved this country in great and increased responsibilities.

Sir Kingsley Wood said the Budget meant heavy burdens but it was a price we were all willing to pay for world peace and national security.

Compulsory military training was another step, and an essential step to security and peace.

"It is democratic. It is without class distinction. It is fair and it is still another contribution by this country to world order.

CRITICAL DAYS

"We can go forward even in these critical days with courage and determination and hope.

"We have not given up hope of peace and a better future for the world. We still believe that lasting peace can only be achieved by friendly discussions and negotiations between nations."—British Wireless.

Wong Kong, 33, was sentenced to a fine of \$20 or one month's hard labour by Mr. Edwards yesterday, for larceny of 23 iron rods from No. 1, Brimington Park.

**AMBULANCE
BALL SUCCESS**

The St. John Ambulance Association and Brigade Ball Committee express thanks to all who attended the Ball and helped to make it such an unqualified success. Especially, the Committee desires to thank Mrs. Violet Chan and Mr. Li Chor Chi for the Cabaret arrangement, Miss Daisy O'Keefe and her Pupils, Miss Eva Turner, Mrs. Percy Chen, Miss Azalen Reynolds, Miss Gloria Yu, Mr. Thomas Lee, Miss Colleen Ng Quinn and Mr. Ho Kom Tong for their contribution to the Cabaret items, also Madam T. V. Soong, Messrs. Gilman and Co., Ultrama (for donating half the price of a clock) Mrs. V. Chan, Mrs. Reynolds, Messrs. E. M. Raymond, Tang Shiu Kin, Ip Kwai Chung, Li Chor Chi, and Dr. Ma Luk for prizes.

Will holders of the following ticket numbers kindly collect their prizes as soon as possible? Nos. 287, 132, 62, 62, 471.

LOCAL SHARES

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations yesterday morning:—

BANKS
 Hong Kong Bank \$1350 b.
INSURANCES
 Canton Ins. \$220 b.
 Union Ins. \$437½ b.
SHIPPING
 Douglases \$87 b.
DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, ETC.
 H. K. and K. Wharves \$100 b.
 H. K. Dock \$13½ ss.
MINING
 Antamoks Ps. 32½ ss.
 Atoks Ps. 31 ss.
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 Hicoms Ps. 25 ss.
 North Camarines Ps. 44 ss.
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 H. K. Lands \$32 b.
 H. K. Rentals \$4 b., \$4.20 ss.
PUBLIC UTILITIES
 H. K. Tramways \$10½ b.
 China Lights (Old) \$8.20 b., \$8.40 ss.
 China Lights (New) \$5.40 ss.
 H. K. Electric \$54½ b.
INDUSTRIALS
 Canton Ice \$1 b.
STORES, E.C.
 Dairy Farms Ex. Rts. \$20 b.
 Dairy Farms Rights \$14.00 ss.
MISCELLANEOUS
 Entertainments 50½ b.
 H. K. Govt. 4% Loan 3½ prom. b.
 Maramans Inv. (H.K.) s/- 5/- ss.

**PARTY FOR
MISS TOBIN**

Arrangements are now being made to hold a tea dance at the Hong Kong Hotel in honour of Genevieve Tobin, the well-known film star, who is due to arrive in the Colony on Friday this week. The party of welcome, which has been arranged by Warner Brothers, will be held on the afternoon Miss Tobin arrives in the Colony, and local cinema fans desirous of being present are advised to make early reservations. Photographs will be taken.

MONEY CHEAPER

London, Yesterday.

Total amount applied for in £30,000,000 Treasury Bills was £63,620,000. Maximum amount was allotted in Bills at three months. Average rate per cent, was 24/3.67d compared with 26/10.35d a week ago.—British Wireless.

H.M.S. Cardiff sailed yesterday for Singapore and H.M.S. Cornwall is expected to arrive here from Singapore on Wednesday.

**GERMANY'S
NOTE HANDED
IN TO FOREIGN
OFFICE**

London, Yesterday.

The German charge d'affaires in London, Doctor Kordt, called at the Foreign Office yesterday to deliver the Note "referred to by Herr Hitler in his speech regarding the Anglo-German Naval Agreement of 1935.

The Agreement stabilised the British and German naval ratio at 100 to 35 in all individual classes and in total tonnage. Submarines were an exception and in this class parity was accorded.

The Note of denunciation is understood to claim that the British Government has unilaterally deprived the Agreement of its basis by means of the alleged encirclement policy.

Informed quarters in London point out that the Agreement was expressly stated to be permanent and contains no clause for denunciation, and that the only general reservation made by Germany was the right to re-examine the matter in conjunction with the British Government if the general naval equilibrium should be violently upset by abnormal construction on the part of other powers. The denunciation, of course is illicit.

In regard to the Naval Agreement of 1937, dealing with advance exchange of information on building programmes and qualitative armaments, the German Note terminates part of this Treaty dealing with exchange of information but declares Germany's intention of abiding by qualitative restrictions.—British Wireless.

**THEFT OF
ADMIRALTY
STORES**

Five men charged with larceny were brought before Mr. E. Himsforth yesterday at the instance of Mr. Cockins, Inspector of Stores, Naval Store I at, on behalf of the Admiralty. It was alleged that the five men stole a quantity of wire, cable chain, rope, and canvas, the property of the Admiralty, while engaged by the Naval Dockyard, from a lighter lying at No. 5 Godown Kowloon Wharf. All defendants pleaded not guilty and were remanded for 72 hours.

**PLEA OF ABSENCE
OF WIND**

Master of a trading junk, No. T1716H, Yeung Hong-lee was fined \$250 by Mr. T. J. Houston yesterday morning, when he was charged with anchoring with 1200 tons of kerosene on board at other than the Dangerous Goods Anchorage.

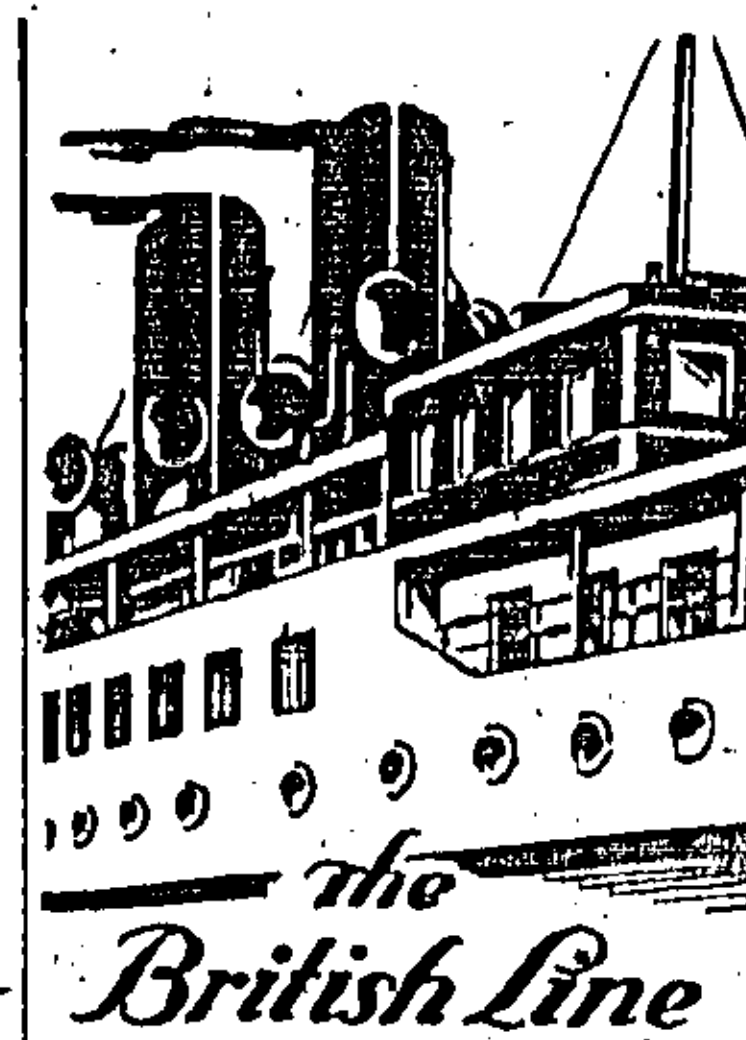
Inspector Russell said that the kerosene was found on board during a routine search. No red light or flag was showing.

Defendant told the Court that he could not get to the Dangerous Goods Anchorage, because of the absence of wind.

CAR STOLEN

Mr. W. B. Richardson, of the Chartered Bank, has reported that his motor car No. 167, was stolen from Saigon Street, near the Majestic Theatre, on Friday night.

The Air Raid Precautions Officer announces that a course of Air Raid Warden lectures in Chinese will be held at "K" Godown of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. on Mondays at 7 p.m. and Thursdays at 7 p.m. commencing tomorrow. The lectures will be given by Mr. A. L. Luk.

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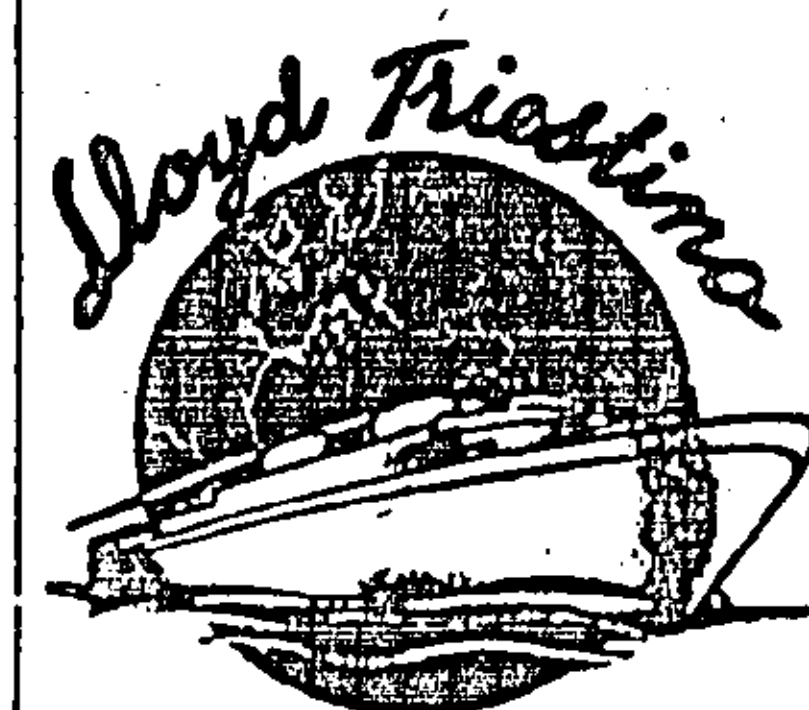
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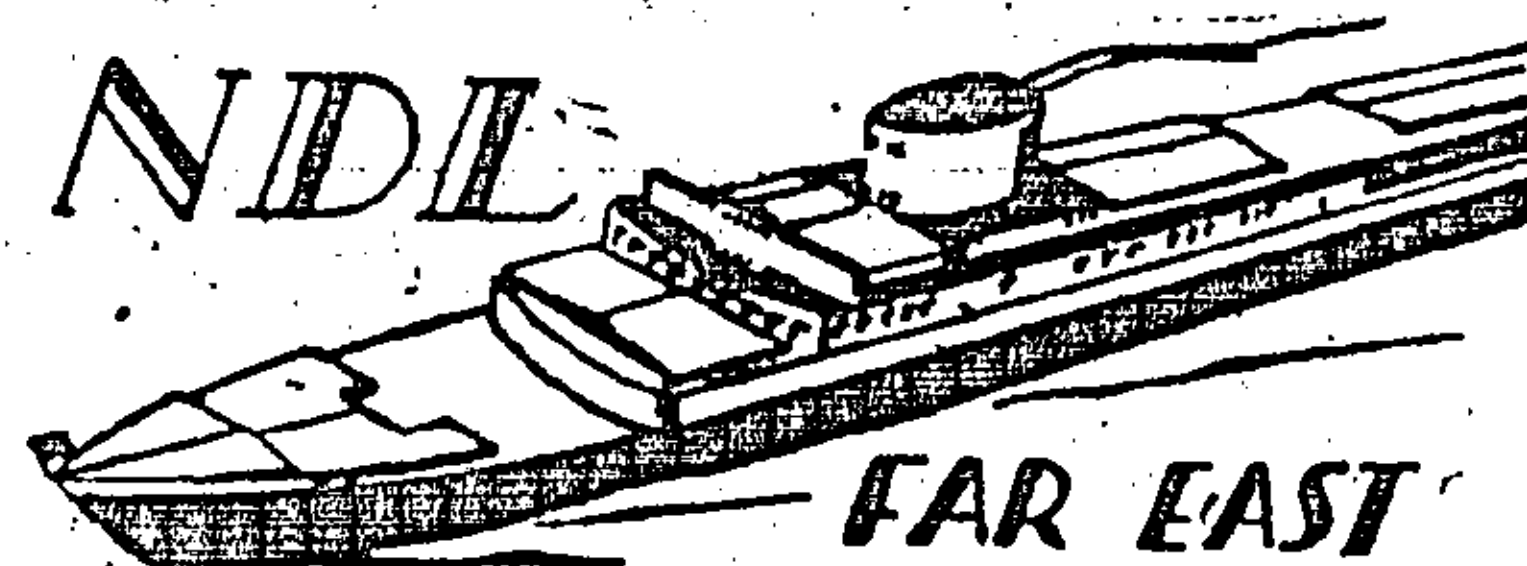
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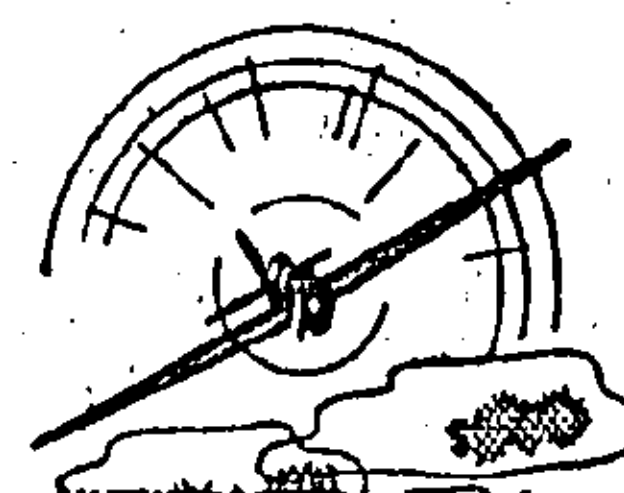
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Germany's Naval Movements in Spanish Waters are Capable Of Sinister Interpretation, Says Mr. Churchill Examining The Outlook In The Light Of Rejection of the Roosevelt Appeal

General Franco's Position In The Crisis

IT seems difficult to believe that the two Dictators would reject the fair and friendly offer extended to them from across the Ocean by President Roosevelt. Yet up to the present moment there is no sign that they will accept it in the spirit in which it was made. Should we eventually have to recognise that it has been cast back in the teeth of the United States, it will be clear that the larger hopes of the world have received a very heavy blow.

The two Dictators and their associates will have placed themselves and their associates in a class apart. They will have shown that their intentions are dark and malignant; that friendly processes are of no avail; and that civilisation must shortly withstand the onslaught of desperate men.

Such rejection will prove even to the most doubting that the Nazi and Fascist Dictatorships have no confidence that their alleged grievances and evident ambitions could stand the test of faithful investigation.

IF this should unhappily prove true, we must none the less regard the President's peace message as a weighty contribution to the cause of collective security. All the thirty states to whom he appealed, except those gripped by the Nazi terror, will be inclined to range themselves upon the side of peace and law. The recalcitrants will place themselves, to a large extent, in the dock.

The process of building up a grand alliance of peace-seeking states against further aggression must receive a notable stimulus in Europe. The growing convictions of the people of the United States of America, will be proportionately fortified. We may be certain that the United States will not intervene in any British or European quarrel. But they seem to be developing a very definite opinion of their own. At the time of writing we can but hope that Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini, supported by their Ribbentrops and Cianos will not allow this new ray of light to die without realising that it may not shine again.

PROUD RECORD OF SLAZENGERS

AT the General Meeting of Slazengers, Limited, held on April 3 at Southern House, Cannon Street, London, E.C., Mr. A. E. L. Slazenger, chairman, having reviewed the items in the balance-sheet, said:—"I feel sure you will agree that it is very satisfactory to be able to show increased profits despite the severe upheavals in both the economic and international spheres with which we have had to contend throughout the year under review. This is still more gratifying in view of the fact that a large percentage of our trade lies in the export markets, and in certain countries (imports are not only completely prohibited or severely restricted).

CHOSEN FOR WIMBLEDON
"Once again I am glad to tell you that the Slazenger-Lawn Tennis Ball has been chosen for the World Championships at Wimbledon (applause) and for a large number of the leading tournaments throughout the world. It is still the leading and best ball in the world, and the demand for it increases almost every year. We have had another very successful year with our tennis rackets, and many major championships all over the world have been won with the Slazenger All White and Fred Perry Rackets during 1938. In my last speech I referred to Badminton Shuttlecocks and I should like to mention that the sales for the Slazenger shuttlecocks are continuing to expand rapidly. These are made on the most modern and scientific principles, and have been selected for many important events."

OPEN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP
"With regard to the Gradidge Golf clubs, we have again had a remarkably successful season. Many national and principal events have been won during 1938 by players using Gradidge clubs, including the British Open Championship, won by R. A. Whitcombe, and the Irish, South African, and New Zealand Championships won by Bobby Locke. The large number of golfers, both amateur and professional, throughout the world who are using Gradidge clubs testify to their workmanship and quality."

MEANWHILE our minds turn naturally upon the position of General Franco. There is no doubt that it is very different from that adopted by him in the September crisis. He then, much to the displeasure of Herr Hitler, declared himself resolved to be neutral. But at that time he had on his hands a life and death struggle with Republican Spain, and all his armies were extended on the long fronts of the Civil War. Now that all Republican resistance has been crushed, he may feel himself less held by local necessities, and at the same time more gripped in Nazi and Fascist hands.

The British Conservative Right-wing, who have given him such passionate support, must now be the prey to many misgivings. There is no doubt, that all kinds of potentially hostile preparations are being made opposite to Gibraltar.

By The Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill, P.C.

Reports which seem trustworthy stream in of concentrations of troops, and preparations of aerodromes, behind the Pyrenees, and of submarine bases on the North coast of Spain.

WE are certainly being fooled about the departure of the Italian troops. They were all to go at the latest when the war was over. Then they were to go by the middle of April, then, instead of going, large additional numbers of Italians were landed. But this, we were assured, was only for the victory parade and the triumphant entry into Madrid. Here again there are postponements. So joyous an event cannot apparently be hastened. It was fixed for May the 2nd, it has now been postponed till May the 15th. Much may happen before May the 15th. Meanwhile the Italian Government are prodigal in their assurances that they will keep the word that they have passed to Mr. Chamberlain and the British Government. These assurances are of course not in themselves worth the breath that uttered them.

There is another respect in which the British relations with General Franco are worse than in September. At that time Spanish Morocco was virtually undefended, and it would not have been difficult for a French or Anglo-

French force to take possession of the heavy batteries erected on the African side. But now a large Spanish army of seasoned troops is available for their defence. We are told the Moorish troops are being repatriated to Morocco. This very natural operation does not touch the fact of the part these troops would play when they have reached their homeland.

IN September last, or indeed as late as February, British and French naval, military and Air Forces could have occupied the island of Minorca at the invitation of a friendly Spanish Republican Government. But now such an act would be justifiable only if some overt aggression had been committed by General Franco's Government; and by that time the operation may have become more difficult.

It is upon this foundation that

the movement of a portion of the German fleet for healthful exercises on the coast of Spain must be studied. At first sight one would suppose that it was reassuring. If the Nazi Government can afford to send their two or three pocket battleships and some cruisers, with flotillas of destroyers and submarines, far away from their home station in the Baltic, and place them in waters from which in certain circumstances return might be difficult, is this not, one asks oneself, a kind of tacit guarantee that there will be a longer breathing-space?

ON the other hand, the movement is capable of a sinister interpretation. We well remember how at the outset of the late Great War, the "Goeben" was risked in order to determine the action of the Turkish Government. The arrival of a German fleet at Cadiz or at Cartagena might well be intended to put the final screw on General Franco, and drag the Spanish people into the cauldron of a world struggle. Alternatively, these pocket battleships would be well placed at Cadiz to strike at all the trade reaching the British Isles from the Atlantic. No doubt arrangements could be made by Great Britain to cope with this form of attack, but it is not one which is necessarily inappropriate.

It must be hoped that these solid considerations of Spanish interest will prevail. But the possibilities remain either that General Franco is intoxicated by his success, or that he is no longer a free agent to act in the true interests of his country. Should either of these results emerge, we must all prepare ourselves for a darker and more hazardous future. At a moment like this, everyone must sympathise with Mr. Chamberlain in his grievous responsibilities. No Prime Minister in modern times has had so much personal power to guide affairs. Everything that he has asked of the nation has been granted; and when he has not asked what many thought necessary, no steps have been taken to persuade him. There never has been in England such a one-man Government as that under which we have dwelt for the last year. He has purged his Cabinet of every dissident or questioning voice. He has taken the whole burden upon himself, and we can only trust that he will not be found unequal to it; for otherwise we may be drawn into the worst of wars in the worst of ways.

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HOCKEY SIX-A-SIDES TO-DAY

This afternoon, weather permitting, Hong Kong Hockey Association's Six-a-Side Tournament, postponed from April 2, which has attracted 40 teams, will be played on various grounds at King's Park.

The tournament is divided into four sections, as designated by the respective grounds on which the early round matches are played. The winners of each section will meet in the semi-finals and final, which will be played on Club's ground.

Each section has 10 teams, and the section competition will progress on the ordinary knock-out lines.

First round matches will commence at 2 p.m. sharp, and teams not on the ground at that time will be disqualified. Second round matches will commence at 2.30 p.m.

The draw is as follows:

NAVY GROUND NO. 1
First Round
0th A.A. v. Radio "A".
Perseus "A" v. Kumaons "A".

Second Round
Officers I.M.S. Medway v. 8th Destroyer Flotilla.
Birmingham "A" v. Queen's College.

U.S.R.C. GROUND
First Round
Recreio "C" v. 8th R.A. "B".
8th R.A. "A" v. Middlesex "C".

Second Round
R.A.O.C. "A" v. Queen's College "B".
Olympus v. Lower Deck. Medway.
Seamew v. R. Engineers.

RECREIO GROUND
First Round
Radio "B" v. Nomads "A".
Motor Torpedo Boats v. Middlesex.

Second Round
K.I.T.C. v. Middlesex "D".
8th R.A. "C" v. Eille Doonle School.
R. Scots v. Recreio "B".

NAVY GROUND NO. 2
First Round
C.B.A. "A" v. Persians "B".
Recreio "A" v. R.A.O.C. "B".

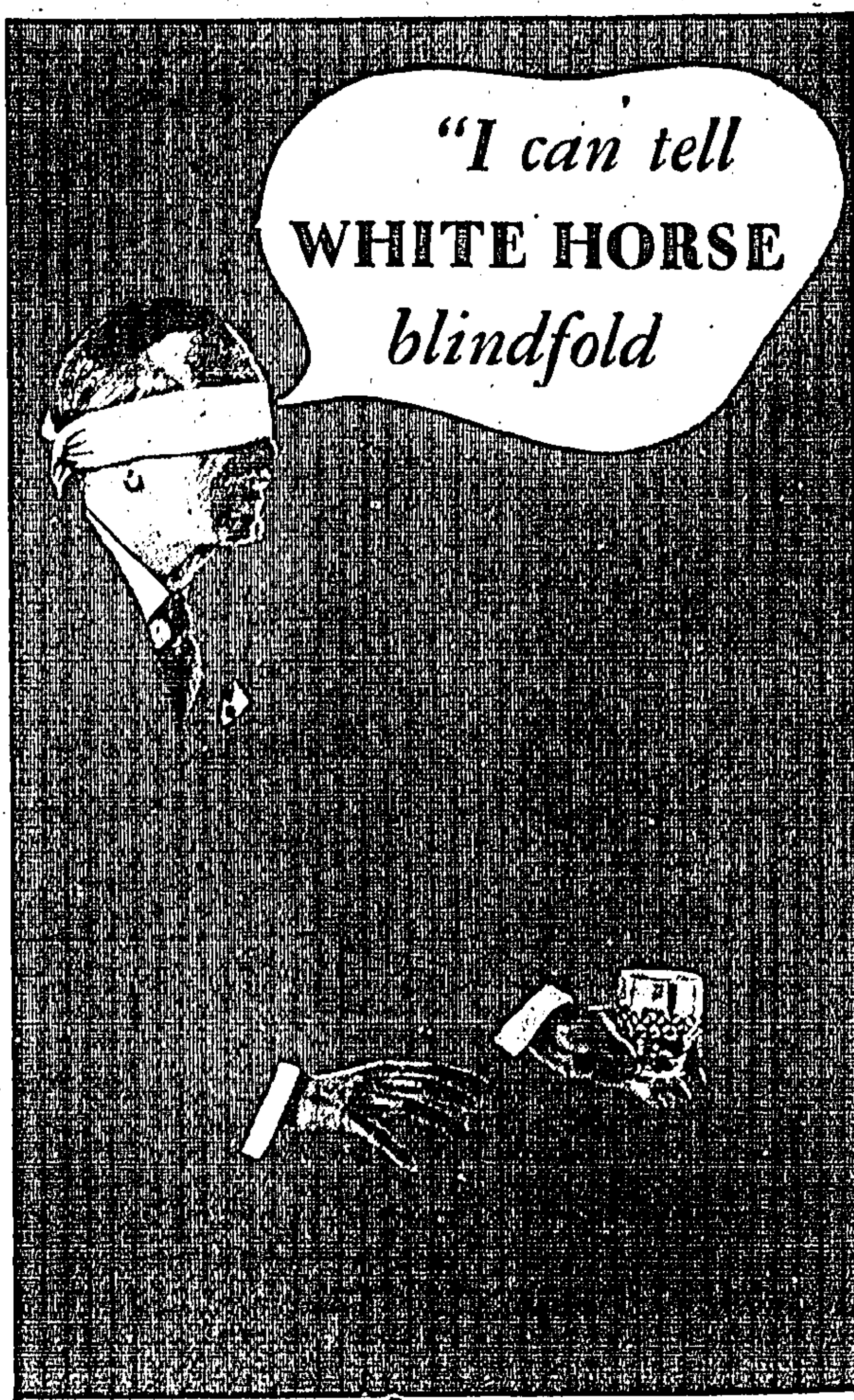
Second Round
Birmingham "B" v. Kumaons "B".
Local Defence Flotilla v. Middlesex.

European Y.M.C.A. are now considering the erection of a small building on their hockey ground for changing purposes.



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TO-DAY'S SOFTBALL

INTER-HONG LEAGUE
American Express v. Texaco
(10.30 a.m., Fil. Club ground).
Hong Kong Bank v. Hong Kong
Electric (3.15 p.m., Kai Tak
ground).

BRAWN CUP FOR RECREIO

Hong Kong Ladies failed in their quest for the Brawn Cup yesterday on the C.B.S. ground when they were forced to share two goals with Diocesan Girls' School.

By virtue of this result, the Cup has now been won by Club de Recreio "A", who are one point ahead of Hong Kong Ladies.

In one respect, Hong Kong were rather unfortunate with yesterday's result. After being held to a goalless first half, they took the lead soon after the interval when Miss Weller, inside-right, crashed home a fine goal. They kept this lead until five minutes before full time, when Miss A. Chang, the most impressive schoolgirl forward, went through in a fine solo effort and beat Miss Baskett with a well-placed shot.

After that, however, D.G.S., having tasted blood, swarmed all over the Hong Kong goal and Miss Chang again went close a few moments later with another splendid effort.

Finest player on view was diminutive Miss Beatrice Greaves, Colony reserve half-back. Playing at left-half, she was a constant thorn in the side of the opposing forwards. She tackled awfully and cleared with power and intelligence.

The Misses Hall and May, at full-back, were also very reliable, while Miss G. Darby, in goal, brought off some excellent saves.

Miss Chang was the finest forward but apart from a little support from Miss Hicks, at inside-right, was forced, for the most part, to play a lone hand.

Practically every member of Hong Kong Ladies' team were guilty of "sticking" to greater or lesser degrees. This definitely had an adverse effect on them and to a certain extent decimated them. Miss Swan was responsible for some good spoiling as pivot, while Miss Quinn was impressive on occasion in the forward-line. Generally speaking, however, the team were most disappointing.

D.G.S.—Miss G. Darby; Miss H. May and Miss D. Hall; Miss P. Lang; Miss E. Nicholl and Miss B. Greaves; Miss V. Chum; Miss J. Hicks, Miss A. Chang, Miss B. Longbottom and Miss C. Kotowall.

H.K. Ladies—Miss S. Baskett; Miss M. Sleep and Miss O. Green; Miss D. Baker, Miss G. Swan and Miss K. Steers; Mrs. B. Goldman, Miss J. Weller, Miss J. Greig, Miss N. Quinn and Miss V. Blackburn.

Argonauts Extend Recreio "B"

A newly-formed ladies' hockey combination called the Argonauts, comprising Portuguese girls, gave an excellent display at King's Park yesterday when they encountered Recreio Ladies' "B" in a friendly match, which they lost by a goal scored by Miss C. Silva in the second half.

The new combination is being coached by Mr. P. Xavier and plan to enter the Brawn Cup competition next season.

The Argonauts' full-backs, Miss I. Xavier and Miss B. Xavier, gave a promising performance, combining excellently to offer Miss C. Silva, Recreio's energetic centre-forward, little chance of breaking through.

Several fine saves were made by Miss S. Silva, the new team's custodian, but the forwards, however, did not combine well and were also a trifle slow.

Recreio "B"—Miss M. Remedios; Mrs. C. Silva and Miss T. Goncalves; Miss A. Aclian, Miss N. Osmund and Miss L. Rodriguez; Miss N. Goncalves, Miss M. Campos, Miss C. Silva, Miss A. Rozario and Miss C. Remedios.

Argonauts—Miss S. Silva; Miss I. Xavier and Miss B. Xavier; Miss M. Pinn, Miss N. Silva and Miss C. Marques; Miss M. Maxwell, Miss C. Xavier, Miss M. Xavier, Miss L. Siqueira and Miss M. Mathias.

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SUCCESSFUL "Y" HOCKEY SEASON

Due to the uncertain weather yesterday the two Y.M.C.A. close of the Season hockey matches were postponed. The party was held in the Dining Room yesterday afternoon and was attended by a large number of hockey members of both sexes.

Mr. R. M. Henderson, Interport Selector, umpire and a keen "Y"

Hong League Reveals Many Promising Stars

(By GRAND STAND)

NOW that the Softball season, both in the Men's and Women's Leagues, has come to a successful close we dig into our records and look back how the Leagues and the various clubs fared during the 1938-1939 campaign.

Both sections of Hong Kong Softball League were efficiently managed by the officials and committee headed by Mr. L. R. Idefonso, President. Roy Lau, Hon. Secretary, must be congratulated and praised for his hard work and untiring efforts for the success which the Leagues have attained this past season. He had the trying job of arranging the schedule from week to week, assign umpires and to see that everything from balls to baselines were in order before every game.

The weather has been most favourable during the season and only during the latter stages of the International series were games postponed on account of rain. The problem of playing ground was solved through the kindness of Central British Association committee and Filipino Club who both Leagues use their ground. Club de Recreio also consented to have their own fixtures and a few other games played on their ground. It is hoped that next year a ground will be available for the exclusive use of Hong Kong Softball League and a stand erected for the comfort of the fans.

Despite the fact that the schedule had to be altered from time to time, due to unforeseen circumstances, all teams co-operated as best they could to live up to their fixtures.

I might mention here, however, that the officials of the Leagues were never successful in having the games start at the time scheduled. In this respect the teams lacked co-operation, much to the disgust and annoyance of the increasing number of fans who turned out regularly to watch the games.

Squawks and Squabbles Part Of Game

Anyway, even with good umpires there are always squawks and squabbles in baseball otherwise it's not baseball. The only thing is to know how to squawk and argue, and when to stop. Local fans are beginning to understand that arguments are part of the game and they are taking these arguments good naturedly. Razzing or barracking is another phase of the game that local fans are getting used to and taking up themselves. It is now not unusual at King's Park to hear a voice with an angry undertone shout out "change that pitcher, he can't pitch!"

How did the teams weather the campaign? Recreio, Chinese Baseball Club and Midgots tied for first place in the Men's League and play-offs were necessary. Recreio won the championship and the trophy donated by Jimmy King by trouncing both Midgots and C.B.C. in the play-offs. In the Women's League Wildcats and Wahooks tied for first place and in the play-off the Wildcats humbled the Wahooks to win the championship and Southern Trophy.

Individual Honours List

For individual performance in the Men's League Bill Muir, who batted .461, led in the batting averages to become local Sultan of Swat for the season. Nip Lum, Chinese Baseball Club, was the best fielder with a .976 average. Honorato Paulino was champion base pitcher and G. H. Fowler of Central British Association and Wally Ching of Chinese Baseball Club tied for Homer King with two Ruthian clouts apiece. Herbie Quon, strike-out king, was the most outstanding hurler of the season.

No complete records of the scores were kept in the Women's League, but my personal observation is this: Lily Mar of Wildcats and Terese Noronha of Wahooks were the best mound performers. Infield honours I would divide between Margaret Oliveira of Recreio, Irene Castillo of Wahooks, May Ching of Wildcats and Florio Wong of Cardinals. In the outfield Mary Mar, of Wildcats, Pili Potogora of Cardinals, Natty Falladana of Filipinos and I. Stone of Pirates were the most outstanding. Doris Mar of Wildcats and Dot Louie of Canadian Chinese were the most

member, made a short speech in which he congratulated "Y" Ladies on winning the Brawn Cup competition for the third year in succession and also those members who helped Hongkong beat Shanghai in the recent Interport. He added that the 1938-39 season had been one of the most successful the "Y" had ever experienced, supporting his statement with the following record.

	P	W	L	D	F	A
Men's 1st XI	54	26	19	9	121	106
Men's 2nd XI	33	10	20	3	54	85
Y Ladies 1st XI	8	7	0	1	29	4
Y Ladies 2nd XI	16	4	9	3	29	28
Men scores were:						
(1st XI) 40: Dawson (1st XI) 25; Kruss (1st XI) 15; Colledge (1st XI) 8; D. Smith (1st XI) 7; Rose (1st XI) 7; Greenberg (2nd XI) 12; Stone (2nd XI) 8; Banks (2nd XI) 6; Dorman (2nd XI) 5.						
Mr. Henderson, who is leaving the country, never hid his activities with the local "Y" but had a very conscientious worker in A. F. "Bunny" Austin, who was instrumental in making this season such an enjoyable one.						

brilliant back-stops. Batting honours I would share among Lily Mar and Doris Mar of Wildcats, Maudie Reed of Pirates and Margaret Oliveira of Recreio. Best first-batters were Yvonne Yello of Wahooks and Irene Pereira of Recreio.

At the Meeting of the League last Tuesday it was decided by the committee that Panthers were the most improved team in the Women's League and therefore received the two bats donated by Chester Bennett, Manager of U.B. Beer. The Pirates were voted as the second most improved team and received the bat donated by Dave Walker.

Club Leaders In Men's League

Recreio: Best hitter, A. V. Gosano .333; Best fielder, Beltrao .971; C.B.C.: Best hitter, Choy .312; Best fielder, Nip Lum .976; Homers, Wally Ching, 2.
Midgots: Best hitter, Cray .393; Best fielder, Wong .957.
Filipinos: Best hitter, Paulino .441; Best fielder, Paulino .918; Homers, Paulino 1, Eramola 1.
Forum: Best hitter, Kitchell .411; Best fielder, Yum .969.
C.B.A.: Best hitter, Muir .461; Best fielder, G. Fowler .909; Homers, G. Fowler 2.
C.C.C.: Best hitter, Nazarin .800; Best fielder, J. Delgado .959.

No. 352: Best fielder, Porter .891.
Trojans: Best hitter, B. Silva .321; Best fielder, Alves .981.
H.K.B.C.: Best hitter, Hearther; Best fielder, Hearther .956; Homers, Hearther 1, Molthen 1.
St. Joseph's: Best hitter, Abbas .285; Best fielder, Neves .942.

Tony Ribeiro Gives His Opinion

Due to lack of ground and inclement weather lately the Inter-Hong League was not able to finish their fixtures before the presentation of prizes at a dance at the Peninsula Hotel last night. Last Friday I went to interview Tony Ribeiro, Hon. Secretary of the Inter-Hong League and the man who ably managed, almost single-handed, the affairs of the Hong League and here is what he has to say in summing up the current season which is about to end.

Tony says that owing to the scarcity of playing grounds, the Inter-Hong games have fallen way behind schedule. "The razor-like keenness of the game, however, remains undiminished. Players from all parts of the Colony (from North Point and Shaukiwan) would journey as far as Kai Tak to play their games and as early as 10 a.m. on Sundays and holidays. This augurs well for the next season and the only bugbear is the need of grounds."

It is certainly most welcome sight to see old timers like "Larry" Brown and Clark Harris of Secony as well as Sam Churchill and Rosa-Pereira of National City Bank turning out at all of the games.

"As the result of the Inter-Hong games much new talent was unearthed. Notable newcomers were Silvanito of Secony, Jack Sullivan of Green Spot, Tony Alves of Dutch Bank, Gann of National City Bank, George Souza of Hong Kong Electric, Lee of China Underwriters, who will all, with determination and practice, make A-1 ball players."

Tribute Paid To Royal Air Force

According to Tony, the honour of the sportiest playing team goes to the R.A.F. agitated. The Airman Lawrence of Texaco, "Larry" Brown without a murmur and on and off the playing field they have nobly upheld the "Army" tradition. To opposing teams which visited their grounds, words "courtesy" and "sportsman-ship" were stamped all over the R.A.F. ground. The enjoyable game was played between Kai Tak Civil and Union Insurance. In this game the players joked, teased and razzed each other good naturedly and an enjoyable time was had by all. In this respect many of the leading teams failed most miserably, as their objective was to win, and in so doing they overlooked the primary object of the League—to provide sunshine and sport for the office workers.

A word of praise should be given to China Underwriters and American Express for the manner in which they turned out for their games.

They provided an object lesson to others for (a) behaviour on the field, notwithstanding successive and heavy defeats (b) the ability of fielding a team under any condition. "It must be heart-rending to play in a team which occupies the cellar, but these two companies have shown that they are not out primarily to win, but simply to play ball for the game's sake," continued Tony.

Tony's opinion is that the League has shown that the teams should be divided into two classes as the difference in standard is so great. In "A" class teams are Chinese Baseball Club, Green Spot, Dutch Bank and Union Insurance, while in "B" class are Recreio, Forum, Wahooks and Pirates.



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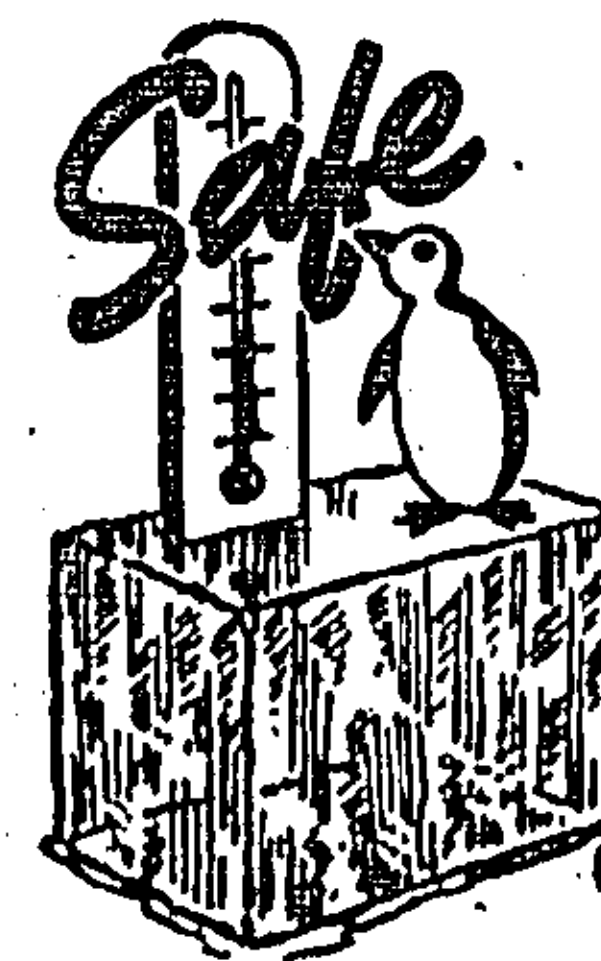
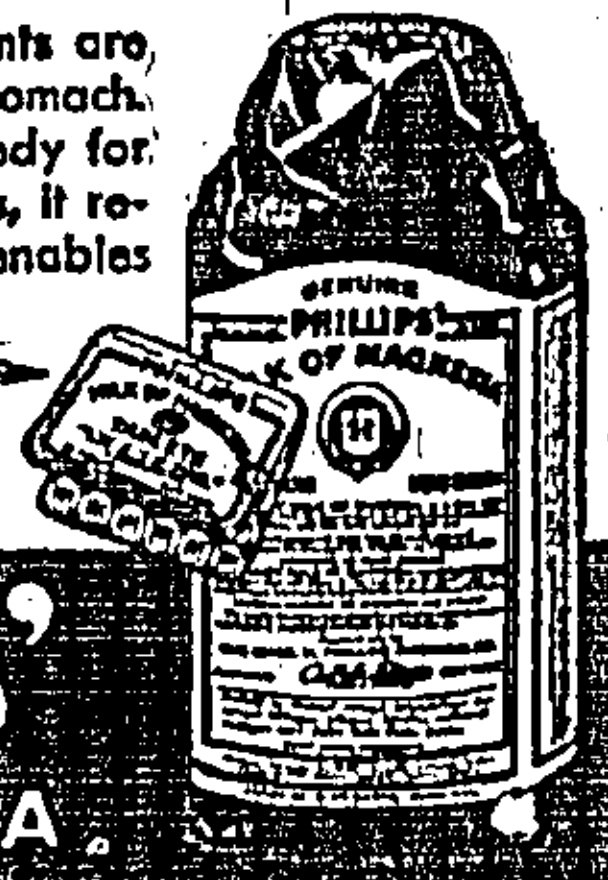
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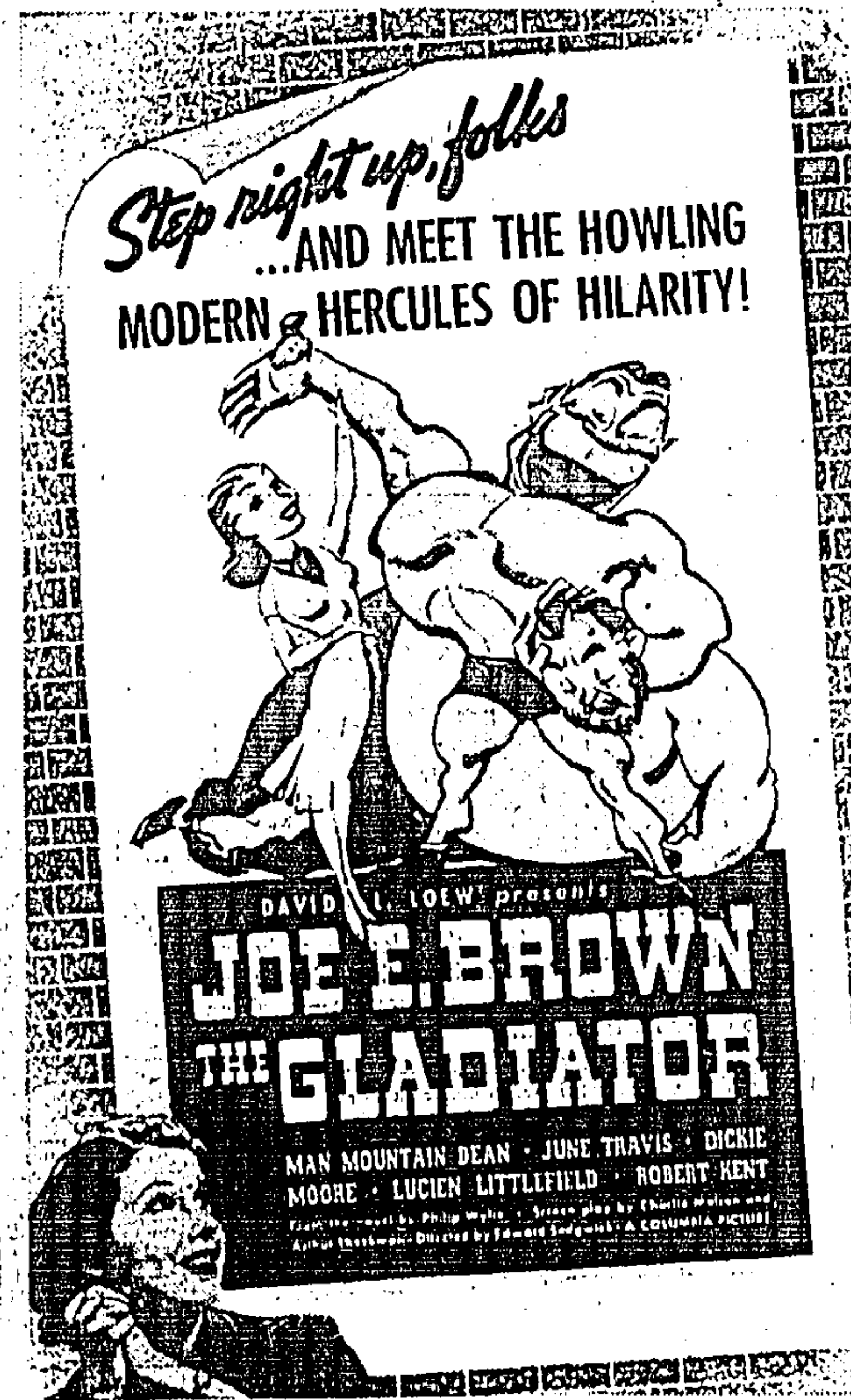
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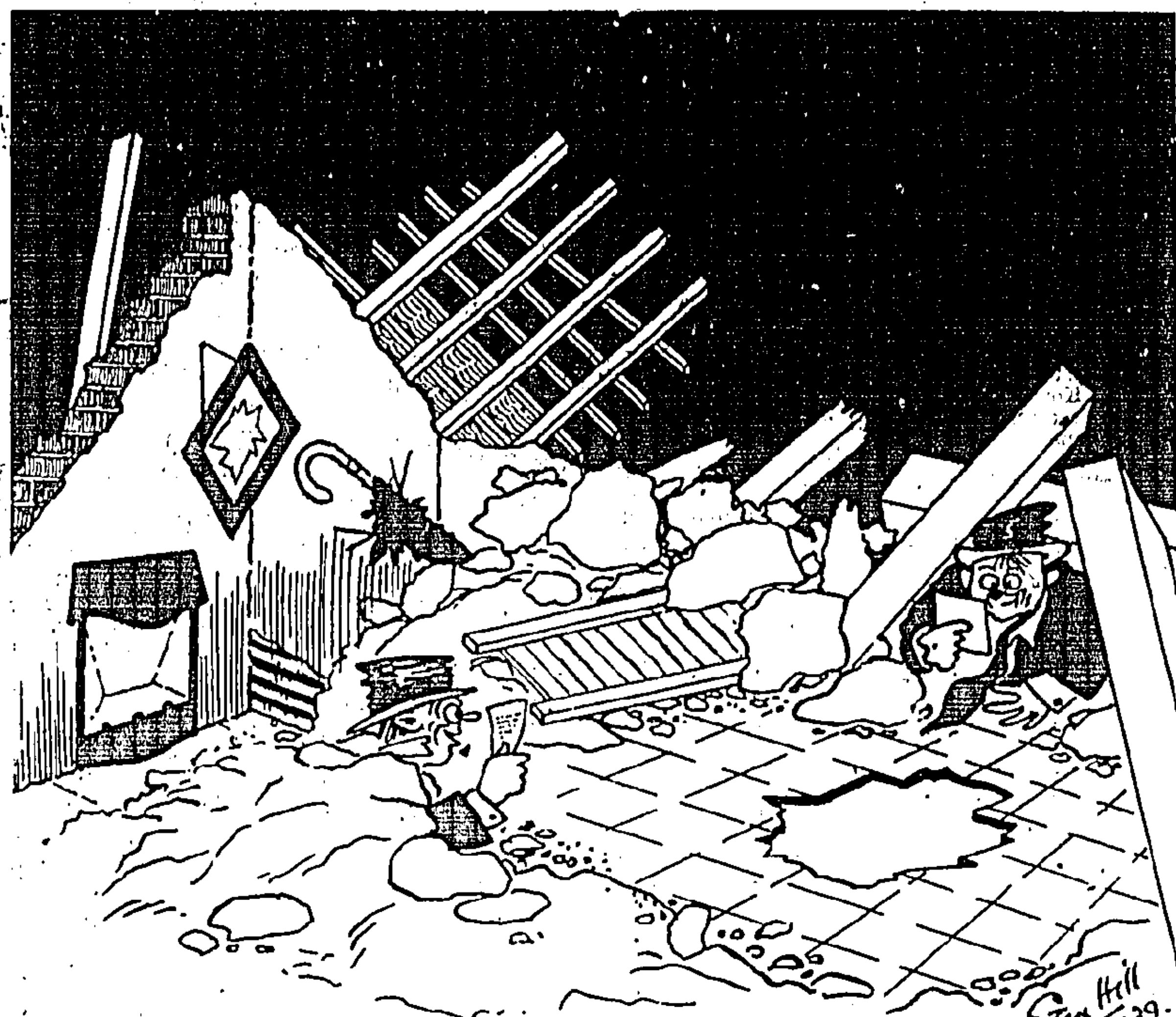
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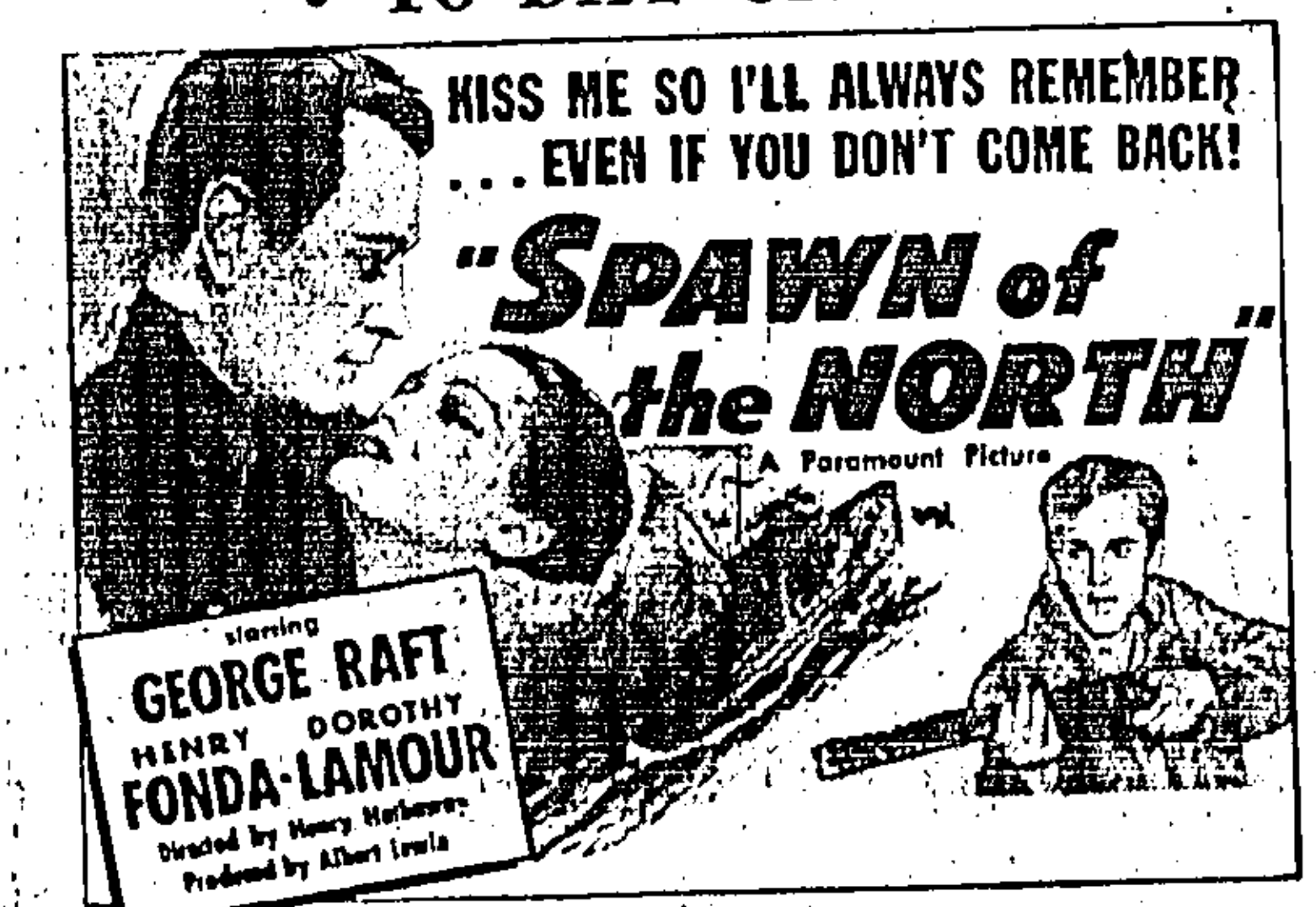
Eva Turner (Soprano) From The Studio

10.30-11.30 a.m.—Relay of Morning Service from The Union Church.
11.30 a.m.-12.15 p.m.—Relay of Morning Service from The Hop Yat Church (Chinese).
12.15 p.m.—Liszt—Sonata in B Minor. Vladimir Horowitz (Piano).
12.45 p.m.—Songs by Jussi Bjorling (Tenor).

Heavenly Aida, divine Aida ("Aida" Verdi); Your tiny hand is frozen ("La Boheme"—Puccini); Heaven And Ocean ("La Gioconda"—Ponchielli); Oh Paradiso! ("L'Africana"—Meyerbeer).... with Orchestra conducted by Nils Grevillius.
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Olive Gilbert (Contralto) and the New Mayfair Orchestra. "Casanova"—Selection (J. Strauss, arr. Benatzky).... New Mayfair Orchestra.
Why Is There Ever Good-bye ("Careless Rapture"—Novello).... Olive Gilbert (Contralto) acc. by the Drury Lane Theatre Orch. Studio Scene ("Careless Rapture"—Novello).... Olive Gilbert, Ivor Novello & Dorothy Dickson with the Drury Lane Theatre Orch. "Charlotte's Masquerade"—Selection.... New Mayfair Orchestra.
Haven Of Your Heart ("Crest of the Wave"—Novello).... Olive Gilbert (Contralto) acc. by the Drury Lane Theatre Orch. Espum (Waldteufel); Temptation Waltz (Charles Ansell).... New Mayfair Novelty Orchestra.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Songs by Alexander Kipnis (Bass).
Der Doppelganger (Schubert); Aufenthalt (Schubert).... with Frank Bibb at the Piano.
1.50 p.m.—Schubert—Quartet No. 14 in D Minor ("Death and the Maiden"). Roth, String Quartet (Roth, Antal, Molnar and Scholz).
2.30 p.m.—Close down.
7 p.m.—Tchaikovsky—Trio In A Major, Op. 50. Hepzibah & Yehudi Menuhin (Piano and Violin) and Maurice Eisenberg (Cello).
7.45 p.m.—Grand Symphony Orchestra Transylvanian Overture (Hans Richter).
South Of The Alps—Suite (Ernst Fischer).
8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Strauss—Le Beau Danube—Ballet Music. London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Antal Dorati.
8.30 p.m.—Studio—Concert by Eva Turner (Soprano) and A. T. Lay (Piano).
1. Romance (Rachmaninoff).... A. T. Lay at the Piano.
2. A Group of Schubert's Songs: (a) The Bird; (b) The Secret; (c) The Question; (d) Laughing and Weeping; (e) The Wild Rose.... Eva Turner (Soprano).
3. (a) Prelude in D Flat (on a "Pedal Point") (Pachulski); (b) Mouvement de Valse (Maykapar).... A. T. Lay at the Piano.
4. A Group of Roger Quilter's Songs: (a) To Daisies; (b) Fair House of Joy; (c) Over the Land in April; (d) Love's Philosophy.... Eva Turner (Soprano).
8.55 p.m.—Cesar Franck—Cherale No. 3 in A minor. Guy Weitz playing on the Organ at Westminster Cathedral, London.
9.15 p.m.—London Relay—Sunday News and Newsletter.
9.55 p.m.—London Relay—Sports Talk and Saturday Sport.
9.50 p.m.—Choral Music. Laudate Dominum (Mozart); Ave Maria (Mendelssohn).... Berlin Philharmonic Choir with Orchestra cond. by Prof. Siegfried Ochs. Soloist: Ursula van Dieren.
10 p.m.—London Relay—"Cards on the Table". An exchange of views between speakers from different parts of the Empire on the news of the day.
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PORTSMOUTH WIN THE CUP

Eastern Beat Navy To Become Runners-Up

DESPITE a truly heroic effort to avert defeat in the closing minutes of the game, Royal Navy were defeated by Eastern at Caroline Hill yesterday by 3 goals to 2, and Eastern thus became runners-up to South China "A" in the First Division of the Football League.

Three minutes from the end Morris netted to place Navy within striking distance of Eastern, and from then until the final whistle every Navy player crowded into Eastern's half to try and aid the attack to net, and with a minute to go only a miraculous save by Tsin Hang in the Eastern goal frustrated them.

Navy failed at forward, as for the best part of the game only Armstrong looked like scoring, although Thoburn and Morris put in some good work. It might have been good policy to have brought Hendy, normally a very strong centre-forward, up to the forward line, but this was not done. Armstrong played a hard game on the right wing and made many fine runs, but most of his energy was wasted by weak finishing on the part of the other forwards. The defence tried hard to cope with a dashing attack, but only Honeywill and Hendy, with plenty of experience behind them, were able to do much to stem the tide. Collinson made some good clearances, but did not inspire confidence. Hendy was a very fast and quick tackling defender and almost always got the better of Chan Bing-to. Dickerson made many fine saves and was unfortunate in misjudging the first goal, which should have been stopped.

TWO NEWCOMERS
Eastern included two new players in their line-up, David V. K. Hui and C. T. Zao, both from Shanghai and who have been touring with the side in Saigon. They played good games and in the second half, when Zao played outside to Hui, showed good combination. Hui King-shing was very strong at centre-half and combined a strong defensive role with that of dangerous attacker. Tsin Hang was a tower of strength at back and Tsin Hang deserved the applause he received at the close of the game.

Eastern secured the lead when LEE TACK-KEE worked his way through from the centre of the field, beating player after player, and sent in a ground shot which deceived Dickerson, who made no attempt to save, apparently thinking the ball was going outside the net.

EASTERN CHANGES
After half time Eastern changed their inside men over, David Hui go-

ing to inside-left and Yu Yueh-shing moving to inside-right. Eastern increased their lead when HSU KING-SHING shot from 25 yards to beat Dickerson with a fine ground shot. Eastern began to have matters more or less their own way, but during a Navy breakaway Thoburn and Armstrong worked the ball down the right-wing changing positions as they did so and Thoburn centred for ARMSTRONG to dash in and meet the ball first-time for a good goal. As a result of this goal Navy played much better football, but Eastern increased their lead after a fine passing bout by the forwards, C. T. ZAO shooting into the net from an unmarked position close in. After the Navy defence had had a hard time stemming many determined attacks, Navy scored again, three minutes from the end, when Thoburn lobbed the ball into the goalmouth and MORRIS netted easily.

FINAL LEAGUE STANDINGS

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.A.	Pts.
S. China "A"	20	15	3	2	32	32
Eastern	20	13	3	4	34	29
Navy	20	13	3	4	28	29
Middlesex	20	9	3	8	43	21
Kowloon	20	9	3	8	25	21
S. China "B"	20	8	3	9	37	19
Police	20	9	0	11	47	18
Kwong Wah	20	6	6	8	34	18
Royal Scots	20	5	7	8	39	17
Club	20	4	1	15	32	9
St. Joseph's	20	2	3	15	30	6
Totals	220	94	32	94	471	420

Eastern beat Navy 3-2 in play-off for runners-up position.

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AERIAL AND COLLEEN WIN

Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club's Tai Yut race, sailed over a 12.4 miles course yesterday, resulted as follows:

Yacht	Corrected	Posn.
Aerial	18.21.05	1
(Mr. Olway)	18.38.28	2
Widgum	18.40.11	3
(Mr. L. Garner)	18.46.10	4
Stella	18.47.47	5
(Mr. F. J. Atkins)	18.51.35	6
Alisa	18.51.35	7
(Mr. G. Moffat-Wilson)	18.55.16	8
Sirius	18.55.16	9
(Mr. C. Trenchard Davies)	18.58.53	10
Kittiwake	19.00.11	11
(Miss P. M. King)	19.01.43	12
Redbank	19.02.57	13
(Lt. Cdr. M. S. Rirlington, R.N.)	19.09.01	14
La Linda	19.10.14	15
(Cdr. R. B. H. Johnstone, R.N.)	19.14.23	16
Artemis	19.14.23	17
(Mr. C. C. Blake)	19.14.23	18
True Blue	19.14.23	19
(Miss H. Prayhall-Wilson)	19.14.23	20
Neroid II	19.14.23	21
(Lt. Farnshaw, R.N.)	19.14.23	22
Siskin	19.14.23	23
(Mr. L. D. Kilbey)	19.14.23	24
Jan	19.14.23	25
(Mr. J. Kroghmo)	19.14.23	26
Dorothu	19.14.23	27
(Dr. Dean Smith)	19.14.23	28
Robert	19.14.23	29
(Lt. Stucley, R.N.)	19.14.23	30
Eve	19.14.23	31
(D.N.F.)	19.14.23	32
Gull	19.14.23	33
(D.N.F.)	19.14.23	34
Owl	19.14.23	35
(D.N.F.)	19.14.23	36
Teal	19.14.23	37
(D.N.F.)	19.14.23	38
Sweepstake Race (7.9 Miles)	16.22.38	1
Colleen	16.22.38	2
(Dr. S. Tomlinson)	16.22.38	3
Diana	16.22.38	4
(Mr. Max Oxford)	16.22.38	5
Konka	16.22.38	6
(Miss M. Carrigan)	16.22.38	7

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RIFLE MEET POSTPONED

Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps Rifle Meeting, which was to have been held to-day at Kowloon City Ranges, has been postponed on account of the unsettled weather. The revised date of the Meeting will be announced later.

FISHER WINS "Y" BADMINTON TITLE

A. L. Fisher, former Free Lances player, won the badminton tournament organised by European Y.M.C.A. Fisher beat Munro in the semi-final by 15-3, 15-6 and S. G. Mills in the final by 15-4, 15-2. At a very successful dance held at the Y.M.C.A. by the badminton section last night prizes were presented to the following winners of the various sections of the tournament: Singles—A. L. Fisher. Doubles—Messrs. Curtis and Johnston. Mixed Doubles—S. G. Mills and Mrs. Trimmer.

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La Salle Favourites For School Sports

THE annual inter-school athletic meeting, the heats for which were decided on Tuesday, promises to be more open than for many years.

It is generally believed, however, that the championship will rest between Diocesan Boys' School and La Salle College, with the odds slightly favouring the latter team, who are very well-balanced.

It is unfortunate that Central British School, who are usually prominent contenders for honours, are not fully represented this year, only about three or four boys being entered. They have lost a great many of their finest athletes in the past few months and, in consequence, cannot be considered as a team.

In W. Pryde, however, they have one of the finest middle and long distance schoolboy runners in the Colony.

Pryde is strongly favoured for the 1,500 Metres event, which he ran in 4 minutes, 43.75 seconds in the heats, while he should also place in the 800 Metres.

St. Paul's College, while not being impressive as a team, have in Chan Wah-kuen an athlete of great promise. Like Pryde, he is at his best over 800 and 1,500 Metres and a great battle is expected between him and Pryde in the latter event, which might conceivably produce a record, provided conditions are not too difficult.

La Salle have the most brilliant individual athletes and a well-balanced relay team. In Ronald Castro, the school Victor Ludorum, and Robert Castro they have two remarkably good men for the sprint events, two very capable middle and long distance representatives in A. Sequeira and Pat Jorge, while Orlando Poon should keep the school's colours flying in the field events.

Diocesan Boys' School have nobody really outstanding. Their strength lies in their balance. Their best men are Kew, Fenton, Large, Cheng Chong-chow and Cray.

The finals, which should have been decided yesterday but which were postponed owing to rain, will take place on Tuesday next.

Two Meetings To-day

Weather permitting, Wah Yan Past Students' Association will hold their annual athletic meeting at Caroline Hill to-day, commencing at 11 a.m. Government Vernacular Normal and Middle School will hold their sports meeting on Queen's College's ground, Causeway Bay, to-day, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

CHUNG SHING AQUATIC GALA

Chung Shing Bathing Pavilion at Kennedy Town will be officially opened for the Summer season at 2 p.m. to-day. A gala has been arranged by the officials in charge and a number of aquatic exhibitions are on the programme for the afternoon.

100,000 SEE POMPEY RECORD FIRST SUCCESS

London, Yesterday.

Portsmouth not only confounded the critics by winning the F.A. Cup to-day at Wembley by 4 goals to 1 but they established a post war scoring record for the Final, beating Sheffield United's 3-0 win over Chelsea in 1915.

Wolverhampton Wanderers, probably the hottest favourites in years, never really recovered from the first goal scored by Portsmouth, after 30 minutes, and were led 2-0 at the interval. Almost straight from the kick-off on the resumption Pompey scored again. Wolves never gave up trying, however, and a snap goal by Dorsett upset the Portsmouth defence for a time, but they soon regained the ascendancy and 16 minutes from time Parker scored their fourth goal.

Pompey's five year plan was successful—they first reached the Final in 1929, lost, and were beaten in their second final, in 1934—and they won the Cup for the first time yesterday. Wolves, who were at one time in an excellent position to bring off the "Double"—League Championship and F.A. Cup—full between two stools—they lost the League to Everton and the Cup to Portsmouth. A crowd of 100,000 saw the game, quite one of the most exciting Finals in years and at the conclusion of the match the Cup and medals were presented by Her Majesty the Queen, who was accompanied by His Majesty, Prince of Wales, and the Duke of York. Portsmouth's win was no fluke after establishing a very definite territorial advantage for the greater part of the match. The artistry of their forwards was the deciding factor.

OVERCAST WEATHER

A cold north-easterly wind was blowing when the game started and the sky was cloudy. Their Majesties the King and Queen and the West Indies cricketers were present among the record crowd of 100,000. Portsmouth provided the first thrill when McAllinden and Worral tied the Wolves' defence into knots, Scott being forced to leave his goal to try and pick up a pass back from Cullis, and he lost the ball, however, and McAllinden sent a shot square across the goal which half a dozen Wolves' players jumped up to head and missed, but Barlow's shot cannoned off into safety. The players were numbered for the first time in a Cup Final. Glacial treatment, nerves, both teams making many mistakes. Portsmouth showed themselves to be the better team, the Wolves' defenders frequently having to pass back to the goalkeeper.

There was a thrill in front of the Portsmouth goal when Westcott ran down and passed to Dorsett, who shot only for the goalkeeper to fist out inches outside the post.

Portsmouth scored after half an hour when the ball was sent up the middle to Anderson, who slipped round Cullis and passed to Barlow, who ran a few yards into the centre before he drove the ball beautifully into the net.

Barlow was transferred from the Wolves in February.

It was now raining steadily and Portsmouth's fast-moving attacks, which opened up the Wolves' defence, stamped them as a fine side. The Wolves, on the other hand, did not look like scoring.

In the 43rd minute Anderson chased a ball that was going out, rounded Taylor and banged in a cross shot which found the net after Scott had touched it.

Half time arrived with Portsmouth leading 2-0.

THIRD SHOCK

Portsmouth scored immediately after the interval when Barlow tricked Galley and Morris and shot. Scott saved at full length on the line but Parker dashed in and netted. The hitherto lifeless Wolves' forwards now played grandly and in the 83rd minute Westcott and Dorsett carried the ball through and Westcott passed neatly to Dorsett, who drove hard into the net.

Portsmouth continued to play attractively and gradually forced back the Wolves.

Portsmouth's right-wing was often dangerous and in the 72nd minute Worral centred for Parker to head in a fine goal to make the score 4-1.

Portsmouth tired in the last 10 minutes and Wolves had the better of the play without scoring again. Reuter.

Portsmouth—Walker; Morgan; Rochford; Guthrie, Rowe, Wharton; Worrall, McAllinden, Anderson, Barlow and Parker.

Wolves—Scott; Morris; Taylor; Galley, Cullis, Gardner, Burton, McIntosh, Westcott, Dorsett and Maguire.

HOW THEY REACHED THE FINAL

WOLVES	PORTSMOUTH
Bradford (h) 3-1	Lincoln C. (h) 4-0
Leicester C. (h) 5-1	W.B.A. (h) 2-0
Liverpool (h) 4-1	West Ham (h) 2-0
Everton (h) 2-0	Preston N.E. (h) 1-0
Grimby 5-0	Huddersfield 2-1
19-3	11-1

K.C.C. OPEN BOWLS LEAGUE WITH FINE WIN

K.C.C. Juniors reversed last season's decision when they beat K.C.C. by 20 shots at Cox's Road in the Third Division of the Lawn Bowls League.

Due to rain-sodden greens no other games in the opening programme were played.

Jack's rink, leading 10-6 at tea, scored 17 on six of the remaining seven ends to win 30-8. They had a 5 and three 4's. Carr was leading 18-10 at tea and won 24-20. He started off with a five and led 8-0. Down 10-9 at tea, Hirst was beaten 27-15, a 5, 2, 3 and 1 in succession by Remedios deciding the frame.

Kowloon C.C.	Recreio
W. Nash	L. Leon
A. Mader	M. Carvalho
G. W. Bowden	C. M. Alves
T. W. Carr	P. A. Yanovitch
(Skip)	(Skip)
W. H. Hobbs	M. F. Alarcon
F. E. Nash	F. Xavier
R. Meadows	C. Vas
J. M. Jack	C. A. Lopes
(Skip)	(Skip)
A. C. Tribble	J. C. Remedios
F. A. Pable	A. Rodrigues
A. E. Perry	J. R. Soares
W. W. Hirst	O. P. Remedios
(Skip)	(Skip)
Totals	75

BASKETBALL INTERPORT NEXT MONTH?

An Interport Basketball match between Singapore and Hong Kong is likely to take place in the Colony in the course of next month.

Correspondence between the local Chinese Basketball League officials and the Singapore organization has been going on for some time and it is learned that Hong Kong is now considering arrangements for the visiting team.

The Singapore team will leave Singapore on Friday for Penang, where they will be seen in a series of exhibition games. The proceeds of the Interport matches will be donated to Refugee Funds in China.

K.C.C. TENNIS TRIAL TO-DAY

Kowloon Cricket Club are holding a League Tennis Trial to-day, commencing at 2.30 p.m. K.C.C. have entered six teams in the League, and over 30 players are required.

CLUB MIXED DOUBLES FINAL NEXT TUESDAY

An effort is being made by Hong Kong Cricket Club to play off the two semi-final doubles matches in the Colony Lawn Tennis Championship this week and, provided there are no undue interruptions by bad weather, the organisers of the tournament should be in a position to arrange both the singles and doubles Finals for the following week.

On Tuesday, an interesting match in the Hong Kong Cricket Club's Mixed doubles event will be the Final, to be played on the Stand Court, in which W. Sander and Miss Taylor (16) are strongly fancied to beat H. J. Armstrong and Mrs. Andrews (16.3).

Gloucester Playing At Oxford

The 1939 cricket season opened yesterday at Oxford, where the Dark Blues entertained the Seniors Match. At Cambridge the Seniors Match was commenced.

Matches to start this coming Wednesday are:

Lords—M.C.C. v Surrey.

Oxford—Oxford U. v Yorkshire.

Cambridge—Cambridge U. v Northants.

Worral, McAllinden, Anderson, Barlow and Parker.

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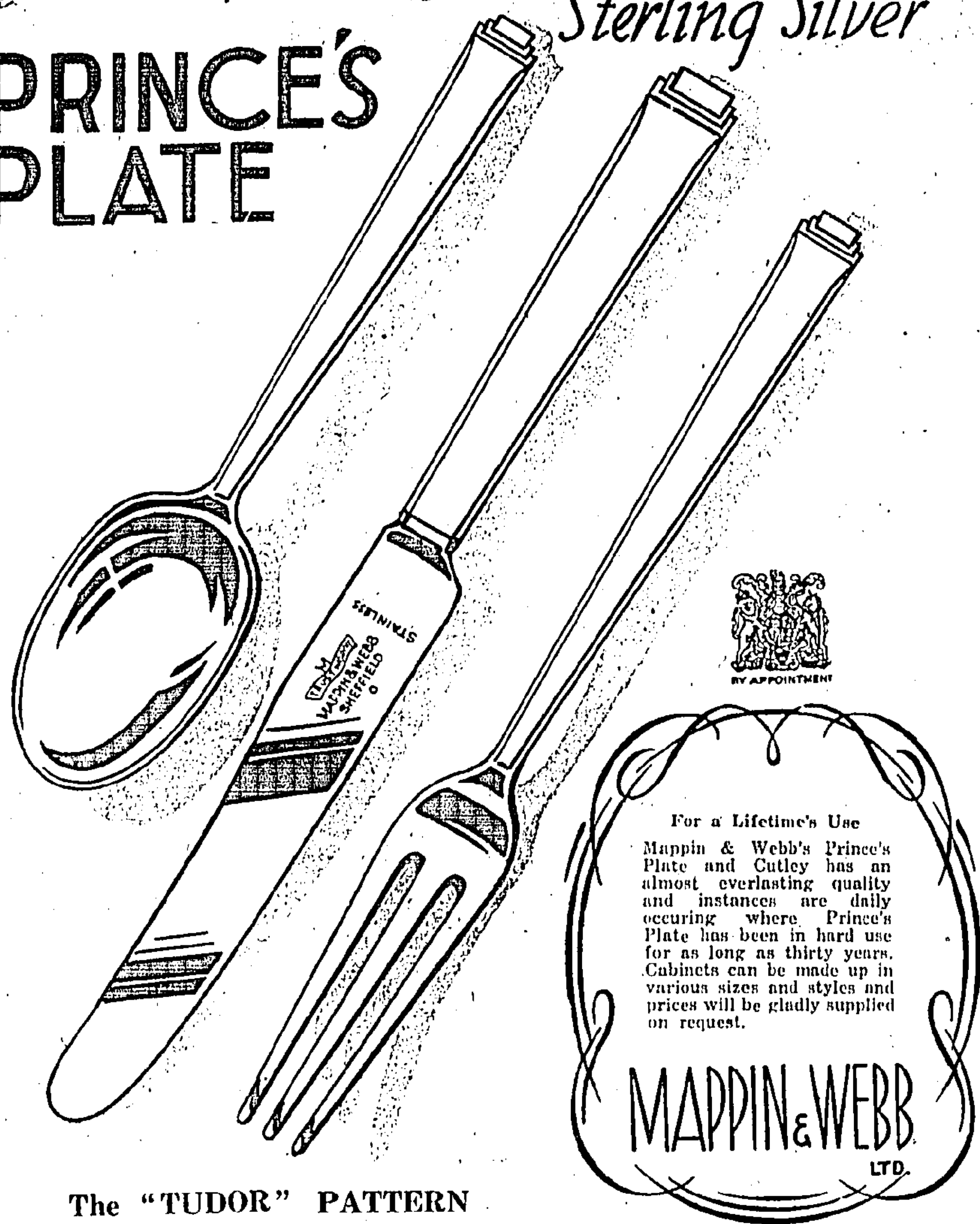
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MURDER at CHRISTMAS

by AGATHA CHRISTIE

"There is Hate in this Death..."

ON Christmas Eve Colonel Johnson, Chief Constable of Middlesex, went in response to a telephone call from Superintendent Sugden to investigate the murder of old Simeon Lee, diamond merchant millionaire.

Johnson took with him his guest, Hercule Poirot.

The victim's throat had been cut in a room where the door was locked on the inside and the windows were fastened.

No trace of the murderer or his weapon could be found, but a great deal of blood had been spilled about the disordered room.

Simeon Lee, a short time before his death, had reported to the police the loss of a number of uncut diamonds he kept in his safe.

Johnson questioned members of the family house-party—Simeon's sons, George, Alfred, Harry, David; his half-Spanish granddaughter, Pilar; his daughters-in-law, Stephen Farr, son of his former partner, Tressilian, the butler, and Horbury the valet, told their stories. Magdalene Lee, George's wife, meeting Poirot in the garden, spoke of Pilar as a girl whose antecedents were unknown and whose actions were suspicious.

"You're a queer one, Mr. Poirot," said Sugden.

"Not at all. I follow a logical train of thought. But we will not enter into a dispute on the question. It is your belief, then, that this demoiselle from the milk shop is not speaking the truth?"

Sugden shook his head. "No," he said. "It's not like that at all. As a matter of fact I think she is telling the truth. She's a simple kind of girl, and I think if she was telling me a pack of lies I'd spot it."

Poirot said:

"You have the experience, you." "That's just it, Mr. Poirot. One does know, more or less, after a life-time of taking down statements, when a person's lying and when they're not. No, I think the girl's evidence is genuine, and if so Horbury couldn't have murdered old Mr. Lee, and that brings us right back to the people in the house."

He drew a deep breath.

"One of 'em did it, Mr. Poirot. One of 'em did it. But which?"

"You have no new data?"

"Yes, I've had a certain amount of luck over the telephone calls. Mr. George Lee put through a call to Westeringham at two minutes to nine. That call lasted under six minutes."

"Aha!"

"As you say! Moreover no other call was put through to Westeringham or anywhere else."

"Very interesting," said Poirot, with approval. "M. George Lee says he has just finished telephoning when he hears the noise overhead—but actually he had finished telephoning nearly ten minutes before that. Where was he in those ten minutes? Mrs. George Lee says that she was telephoning—but actually she never put through a call at all. Where was she?"

Sugden said:

"I saw you talking to her, Mr. Poirot?"

He's voice held a question but Poirot replied:—

"You are in error!"

"Eh?"

"I was not talking to her—she was talking to me!"

"Oh"—Sugden seemed to be about to brush the distinction aside impatiently, then, as its significance sank in he said:

"She was talking to you, you say?"

"Most definitely. She came out here for that purpose."

"What did she have to say?"

"She wished to stress certain points—the un-English character of the crime—the possibly undesirable antecedents of Miss Estravados on the paternal side—the fact that Miss Estravados had furtively picked up something from the floor last night."

"She told you that, did she?" said Sugden with interest.

"Yes. What was it that the young girl picked up?"

Sugden sighed.

"I could give you three hundred guesses! I'll show it to you. It's the sort of thing that solves the whole mystery in detective stories! If you can make anything out of it, I'll retire from the police force!"

"Show it me."

Sugden took an envelope from his pocket and tilted its contents on to the palm of his hand. A faint grin showed on his face.

"There you are. What do you make of it?"

On the Superintendent's broad palm lay a little triangular piece of pink rubber and a small wooden peg.

His grin broadened as Poirot picked up the articles and frowned over them.

"Make anything of them M. Poirot?"

"This little piece of stuff might have been cut from a spongebag?" "It was. It comes from a spongebag in Mr. Lee's room. Somebody with sharp scissors just cut a small triangular piece out of it. Mr. Lee may have done it himself for all I know. But it beats me why he should do it. Horbury can't throw any light on the matter. As for the peg, it's about the size of a cribbage peg, but they're usually made of ivory. This is just rough wood—whittled out of a bit of deal. I should say."

"Most remarkable," murmured Poirot.

"Keep 'em if you like," said Sugden kindly. "I don't want them."

"Mon ami, I would not deprive you of them!"

"They don't mean anything at all to you?"

"I must confess—nothing whatever!"

"Splendid!" said Sugden with heavy sarcasm, returning them to his pocket. "We are getting on!"

Poirot said:

"Mrs. George Lee, she recounts that the young lady stopped and picked these bagatelles up in a furtive manner. Should you say that that was true?" Sugden considered the point.

"No," he said hesitatingly. "I shouldn't quite go as far as that. She didn't look guilty—nothing of that kind—but she did set about it rather—well—quickly and quietly—if you know what I mean. And she didn't know I'd seen her do it! That I'm sure of—she jumped when I rounded on her."

Poirot said thoughtfully:

"Then there was a reason—but what conceivable reason could there have been? That little piece of rubber is quite fresh—it has not been used for anything—it can have no meaning whatsoever, and yet—"

Sugden said impatiently:

"Well, you can worry about it if you like, M. Poirot. I've got other things to think about."

Poirot asked:

"The case stands—where, in your opinion?"

Sugden took out his notebook.

"Let's get down to facts. To begin with, there are the people who couldn't have done it. Let's get them out of the way first—"

"They are—?"

"Alfred and Harry Lee. They've got a definite alibi. Also Mrs. Alfred Lee, since Tressilian saw her in the drawing-room only about a minute before the row started upstairs. Those three are clear. Now for the others. Here's a list. I've put it this way for clearness."

He handed the book to Poirot.

At the time of the crime

George Lee was ?

Mrs. George Lee was ?

David Lee was ?

was playing piano in music room (confirmed by his wife).

Mrs. David Lee was in music room (confirmed by husband).

Miss Estravados was in her bedroom (no confirmation).

Stephen Farr was in ballroom playing gramophone (confirmed by staff who could

hear the music in servants' hall).

Poirot said, handing back the list:

"And therefore—?"

"And therefore," said Sugden, "George Lee could have killed the old man. Mrs. George Lee could have killed him. Pilar Estravados could have killed him, and either Mr. or Mrs. David Lee could have killed him, but not both."

"You do not then, accept that alibi?"

Superintendent Sugden shook his head emphatically.

"Not on your life! Husband and wife—devoted to each other! They may be in it together or if one of them did it, the other is ready to swear to an alibi. I look at it this way. Some one was in the music room, playing the piano. It may have been David Lee."

"It probably was, since he is an acknowledged musician, but there's nothing to say his wife was there too except her word and his. In the same way, it may have been Hilda Lee who was playing that piano while David Lee crept upstairs and killed his father! No, it's an absolutely different case from the two brothers in the dining-room. Alfred Lee and Harry Lee don't love each other. Neither of them would perjure himself for

the other's sake."

"What about Stephen Farr?"

"He's a possible suspect, because that gramophone alibi is a bit thin. On the other hand, it's the sort of alibi that's really sounder than a good, cast-iron, dyed-in-the-wool alibi which ten to one has been faked up beforehand!"

Poirot bowed his head thoughtfully.

"I know what you mean. It is the alibi of a man who did not know that he would be called upon to provide such a thing."

"Exactly! And anyway, somehow, I don't believe a stranger was mixed up in this thing."

Poirot said quickly:

"I agree with you. It is here a family affair. It is a poison that works in the blood—it is intimate—it is deep-seated. There is here, I think, hate and knowledge..."

He waved his hands.

"I do not know—it is difficult!"

Superintendent Sugden had waited respectfully, but without being much impressed. He said:

"Quite so, M. Poirot. But we'll get it, never fear, with elimination and logic. We've got the possibilities now—the people with opportunity. George Lee, Magdalene Lee, David Lee, Hilda Lee, Pilar Estravados, and I'll add Stephen Farr. Now we come to motive. Who had a motive for putting old Mr. Lee

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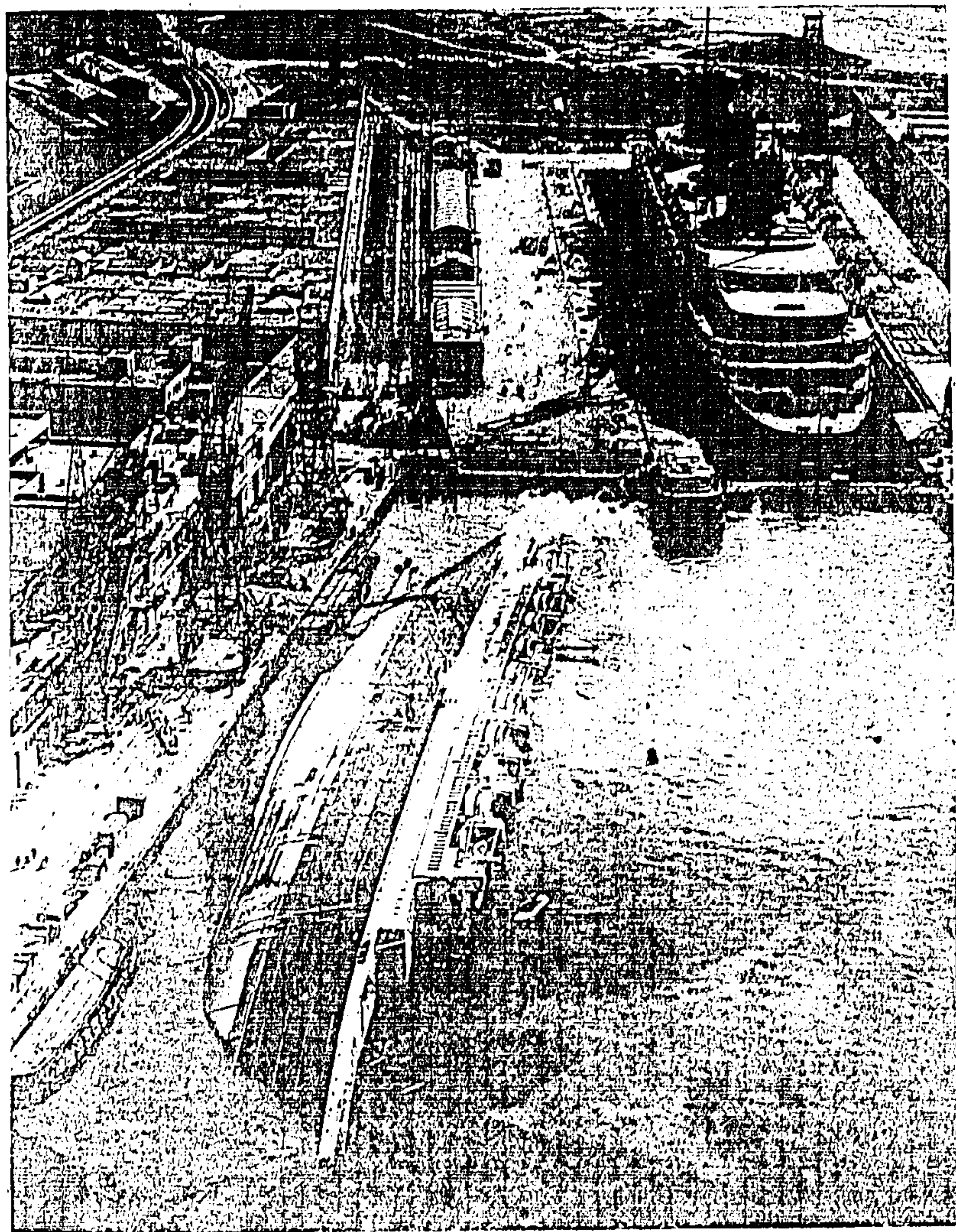
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BRIDGE NOTES

BY ELY CULBERTSON

Bidding

WHEN one considers the amazing luck attending some badly bid hands, and compares it with the afflictions that often beset good bidding, he is forced to marvel at the workings of fate.

South, dealer.

Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
S—None
H—A 9 8 5 4
D—A 10 8 3
C—8 7 3 2
WEST
S—J 10 4
H—3 2
D—Q 9 7 6 4
C—A Q 5
EAST
S—9 7 3
H—K Q 10 6
D—5 2
C—J 10 6 4
SOUTH
S—A K Q 8 6 5 2
H—J 7
D—K J
C—K 9

The bidding at one table went:
South West North East
1 spade Pass 2 hearts Pass
3 n'trum Pass 4 diamonds Pass
4 spades Pass 4 no trump Pass
5 n'trum Pass 6 no trump Pass

The bid that started the fireworks was, of course, South's leap to three no trump. Used properly, this is a very strong bid, based on at least four honour tricks with strong intermediates, and is supposed to show balanced distribution. Obviously, South violated these requirements on every count.

A heart lead would have settled the declarer's hash, but unfortunately for himself West decided that a spade lead was the safest available. He opened the spade jack and declarer promptly ran off seven spade tricks. This was the first excellent break of the hand, the fact that the adverse spades were divided 3-3. With six cards remaining, this was the position:

NORTH
S—None
H—A
D—A 10 8 3
C—8
WEST
S—None
H—None
D—Q 9 7 6
C—A Q
EAST
S—None
H—K Q 10
D—5
C—J 10
SOUTH
S—None
H—J 7
D—K J
C—K 9

The diamond king was cashed and the jack was led. West covered (ducking would have made no difference since the jack would have been allowed to ride) and dummy's ace won. Now, when the heart ace was cashed, West saw that if he were to discard the club queen he certainly would be end-

played, i. e., a club would be led and he would have to return a diamond from the 9-7 into dummy's 10-8. Rather than "give up," West made the correct play of discarding the club ace, his only hope being that East had the club king. As it happened, however, this desperation play merely cost an extra trick. East had discarded a heart on the second diamond lead and now, when the diamond ten was cashed, found himself in a "squeeze."

If he let go the heart king, declarer, discarding after him, would keep the heart jack and the club king. East's actual club discard was no better, however. Declarer threw away the heart jack. A club to the king then dropped East's jack and West's queen and established the nine spot for the thirteenth trick.

Well, at least declarer had the grace to blush over the fantastic breaks he had found in this hand!

Murder At Christmas

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out of the way? There again we can wash out certain people, Miss Estravados, for one. I gather that as the will stands now she doesn't get anything at all. If Simeon Lee had died before her mother, her mother's share would have come down to her (unless her mother willed it otherwise) but as Jennifer Estravados, predeceased Simeon Lee that particular legacy reverts to the other members of the family. So it was definitely to Miss Estravados's interests to keep the old man alive. He'd take a fancy to her: it's pretty certain he'd have left her a good slice of money when he made a new will. She had everything to lose and nothing to gain by his murder. You agree to that?"

"Perfectly."
"There remains, of course, the possibility that she cut his throat in the heat of a quarrel, but that seems extremely unlikely to me. To begin with, they were on the best of terms, and she hadn't been here long enough to bear him a grudge about anything. It therefore seems highly unlikely that Miss Estravados has anything to do with the crime—except that you might argue that to cut a man's throat is an un-English sort of thing to do, as your friend Mrs. George put it."

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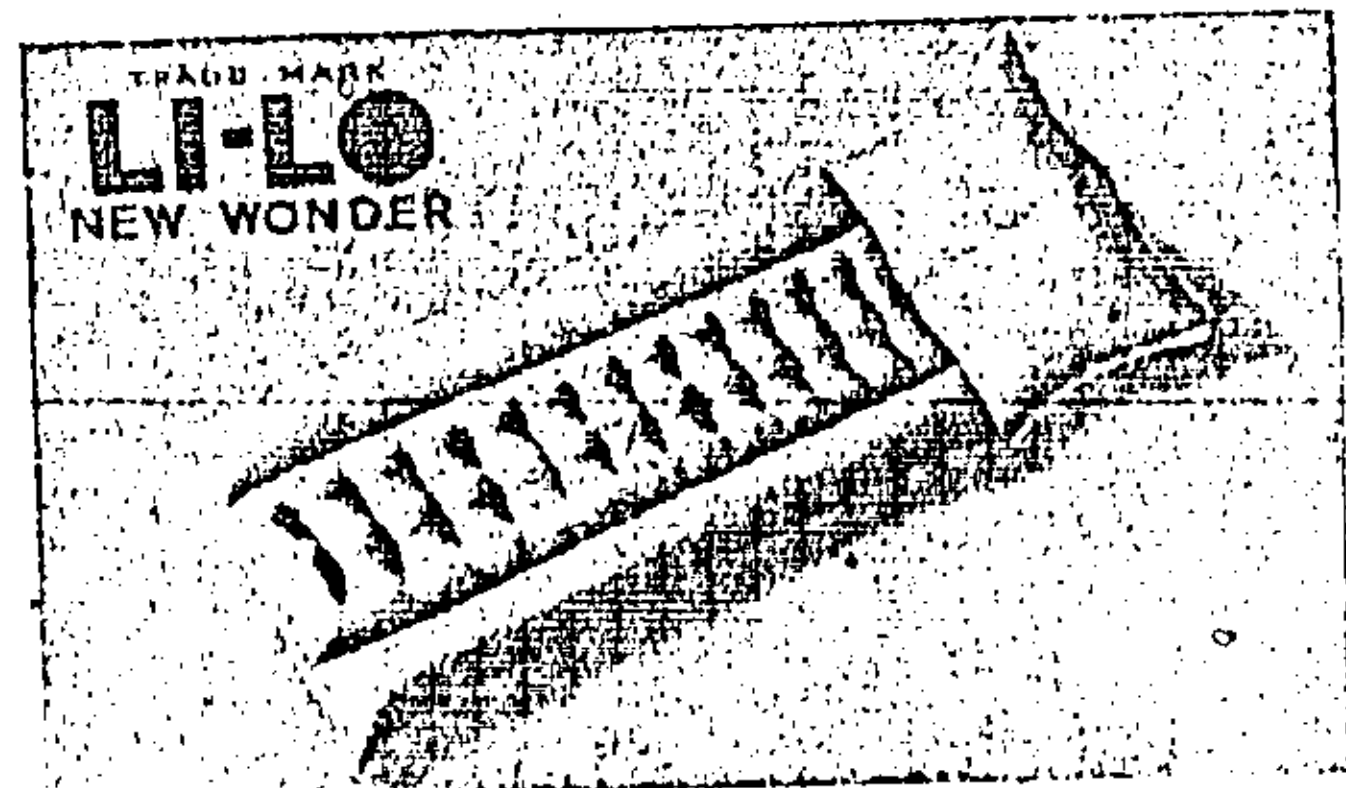
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ENDEAVOUR TO ISOLATE POLAND FROM WORLD

British Study Of Hitler Speech

London, Yesterday.

Hitler's speech is regarded by the newspapers
generally as leaving the situation much as
before, though some commentators find
the references to Poland ominous.

"The Times" says that perhaps the key sentence
in the speech was Hitler's assertion that he
had not taken any step which violated the
rights of others.

With that audacious statement he begs every
question of the hour. If Germany really
intended co-operation, it would be much
to the advantage of other countries to go
more than half way to meet her, and so
too with colonies.

In a peaceful progressive
world all things would be possi-
ble, and Britain for one would
be found not unready to share
with all other countries upon re-
ciprocal terms any peculiar ad-
vantage that may accrue her as
a colonial power.
But, midst the jungle, no such
thing is or will be possible.

REAL INTENTIONS

The "Daily Telegraph" thinks
the speech leaves the interna-
tional situation exactly where it
was before.

It is wholly silent as to Hit-
ler's real intention, and all it
did was to confirm the suspicion
that his mind continues to
seethe with bitter discontent.

The "Daily Herald" declares
the speech suggests that firstly
Hitler has been given cause to
pause by the attitude of Pre-
sident Roosevelt, and secondly,
that he is faced with the neces-
sity of trying to convince his
own people that if war comes he
is innocent of war guilt — and
that may be a task taking some
time.

Yet even this impression must
be tempered with extreme cau-
tion in view of the highly omi-
nous reference to Poland, which
time may prove to be the most
significant part of the whole
speech.

same attitude as he took towards
Czecho-Slovakia.

He is endeavouring to isolate
her from the rest of the world, so
he can wreak his will by massing
superior strength.

The "News Chronicle" finds
significance in the fact that Hitler
did not refer to the British intro-
duction of conscription or the
Franco-British talks with Russia.

NEW TONE

The newspaper says that un-
doubtedly the recent British In-
itiative and President Roosevelt's
message, induced him to adopt a
different tone. The lesson is to
press on with the work thus be-
gun.

The "Daily Mail" is of opinion
that the speech leaves the world
more hopeful of peace than ear-
lier in the week.

Official British opinion (says
the "Daily Mail") regards the
speech as moderate, but the ques-
tion still remains "Can we trust
Hitler?"

Events will show whether the
latest approaches are based on a
genuine desire for peace.—Reuter.

GANDHI WINS

Calcutta, Yesterday.

The Congress President, Subhas
Bose, has resigned owing to the
stalemate which resulted in the
talks between himself and Mr.
Gandhi over formation of the
Congress high command.

The recent Congress session
asked Mr. Bose to make appoint-
ments in accordance with Mr.
Gandhi's wishes.—Reuter.

N.Z. BUDGET SURPLUS

Wellington (N.Z.), Yesterday.

The New Zealand Finance
Minister, Mr. W. Nash, to-day an-
nounced a surplus of \$300,000 for
the financial year ended March 31.
Revenue was \$36,600,000 and ex-
penditure \$35,300,000.—Reuter.

TRADE PACT

Paris, Yesterday.

A trade agreement between
France and the Netherlands was
initiated yesterday evening.—
Reuter.

LONDON SILVER

London, Yesterday.

London silver prices to-day were
down 1/16 as follows:—

	Apr. 28	Apr. 29
Spot	20-3/16	20-1/8
Forward	80	10-16/16

Our Own Correspondent.

SECOND DIVISION STRUGGLE

London, Yesterday.

The following are the results of
League football matches played to-
day:—

FIRST DIVISION

Birmingham	4	Leeds	0
Bolton	0	Manchester U.	0
Brentford	1	Blackpool	1
Derby	1	Arsenal	2
Everton	3	Aston Villa	0
Preston	1	Chelsea	1
Stoke	1	Charlton	0
Sunderland	0	Huddersfield	0

SECOND DIVISION

Coventry	0	Sheffield U.	3
Fulham	1	Bury	2
Manchester C.	3	Chesterfield	1
Millwall	2	Tranmere	1
Newcastle	2	Luton	0
Notts F.	2	Plymouth	1
Wednesday	1	Tottenham	0
Southampton	2	Burnley	1
Swansea	2	Bradford	2
W. Bromwich	4	Norwich	2

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Brighton	6	Bristol R.	3
Bristol C.	1	Aldershot	0
Cardiff	0	Mansfield	0
Clapton	5	Swindon	0
Crystal P.	5	Notts C.	1
Exeter	1	Queen's P.R.	1
Ipswich	1	Walsall	0
Nowport	0	Port Vale	2
Reading	1	Bournemouth	0
Torquay	2	Southend	0
Watford	2	Northampton	0

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

*Acerington	v	Stockport	
Barnsley	4	Lincoln	0
Barrow	1	Gateshead	1
Carlisle	5	Rochdale	1
Crewe	0	Rotherham	0
*Darlington	v	York	
*New Brighton	v	Chester	
*Oldham	v	Hull	
*Southport	v	Doncaster	

* Late start.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

FIRST DIVISION

Aberdeen	2	Rangers	0
Albion	2	Raith	1
Ayr	3	Third Lanark	3
Clyde	5	Kilmarnock	1
Hamilton	4	Hearts	1
Hibernian	2	Motherwell	1
Partick	2	Falkirk	0
Queen's Park	2	Queen O.S.	0
St. Mirren	2	Celtic	1

SECOND DIVISION

Aloa	1	Brechin	1
Dunfermline	7	King's Park	1
East Stirling	2	Edinburgh	3
Leith	0	Cowdenbeath	2
Montrose	5	Dundee	5
Stenhousemuir	3	Dundee U.	0

—Reuter.

[No correction had been received
up to 3.30 a.m.—Ed.]

ALL OR NOTHING

London, Yesterday.

The diplomatic correspondent of
"The Times" says that Britain's
attitude on colonies is that the colonies
are but one aspect of a
greater problem which must be faced
all or nothing.

The world has got beyond the
piecemeal stage.—Reuter.

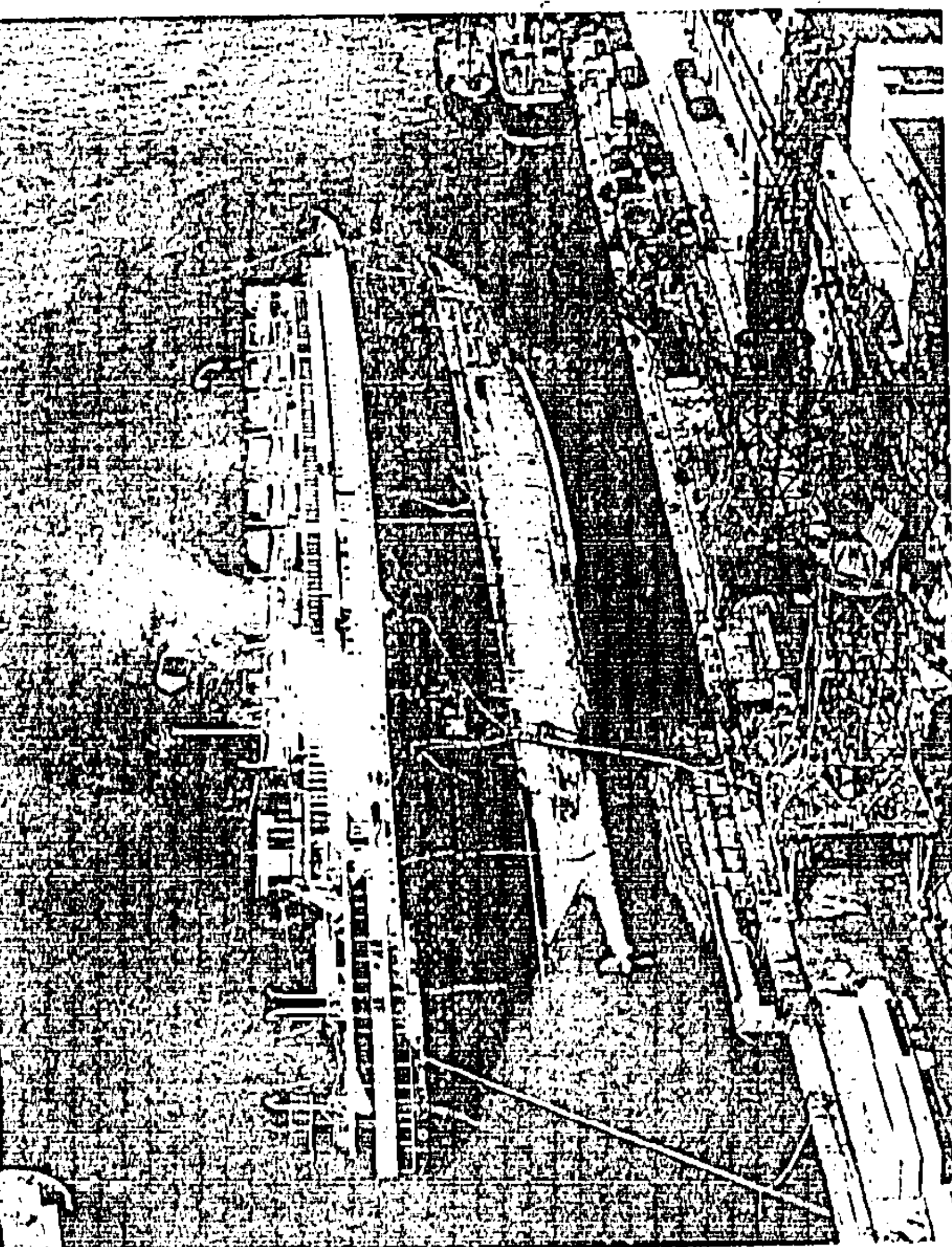
PLENARY POWERS

Brussels, Yesterday.

The Belgian Senate to-day adopt-
ed the special powers for the Prime
Minister voted by the Chamber on
Thursday.—Reuter.

Lady Amla Noble, wife of
Admiral Sir Percy Noble has
arrived in the Colony.

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The French liner "Paris" bene-
ath the waters in dock at Le Havre
after being ravaged by fire all nig-
ht. See companion picture on Page
25.

SOVIET AIRMEN FAIL DASH ACROSS ARCTIC TO NEW YORK FAIR

New York, Yesterday.

The Soviet plane, with M. Kokkinaki at the con-
trols, which was attempting a flight to New
York from Moscow, is reported to have made
a forced landing south of Hudson Bay.

The report was received from the Soviet Embassy
at Washington at the control tower at Floyd
Bennet flying field, where hundreds were
waiting to greet the airmen.

The position of the plane is
given as Latitude 47 Longitude
63, which is in the Gulf of St.
Lawrence.

According to the Soviet
charge d'affaires, the airmen
themselves radioed their landing
position.

It is understood the machine,
which is a monoplane, carries
no safety equipment.

N.Y. FAIR

The Soviet airmen were tak-
ing an entirely new route for the
flight, a considerable part of
which was over the Arctic and
Atlantic Oceans.

The flight was being made in
connection with the New York
World's Fair.

The forced landing took place
on Miscou Island, off New Brun-
swick, when the airmen were 1,100
miles distant from their objective.
They had been almost 24 hours in
the air.

The airmen spent the night be-
side their plane, which is badly
wrecked. One of the fliers has
broken a rib.—Reuter.

FLIGHT PLAN

Paris, Yesterday.

Atmospheric conditions being
favourable, the French airmen,
Gilbert Delmas, hopes to start to-
night on an attempt to lower
Mlle. Maryse Hillairet's record flight
from Paris to New York.

MR. CHURCHILL STRIPS SPEECH OF VERBIAGE

London, Yesterday.

Mr. Winston Churchill,
broadcasting to America on
Hitler's speech, said its char-
acter and quality showed a
certain improvement on any
Hitler had made before the
revival in Europe of the sys-
tem of mutual aid against
aggression and active forma-
tion of a peace bloc of nations.

Stripped from verbiage the
speech revealed a wish to isolate
Poland, and denunciation of the
nonaggression pact with War-
saw must be regarded as the
most serious feature of the
speech and as a new cause of an-
xiety.

For all these reasons, said Mr.
Churchill, it was of the highest
consequence that there should
not be any slackening of vigi-
lance and preparation by Euro-
pean peace-seeking Powers, and
no diminution of the influence
which the United States is exer-
cising for the common good.—
Reuter.